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Births.

BAIRD.—April 22, at Toorak, Melbourne, the wife of J. Hamilton Baird, Kourong, Bombala—a son.

JAGELMAN.—April 1, 1900, at Elsea, Rockdale, the wife of Joseph J. Jagelman, of a daughter.

TOWNSHEND.—April 23, at Walcha, the wife of F. Townshend (Walcha Witness), of a son.

Marriages.

DENOVAN—HUNTER.—May 2, at Snails Bay, by the Rev. John Ferguson, John M. Denovan, eldest son of the late Caleb Denovan, of Glasgow, to Margaret Stuart, daughter of John Hunter, of Glasgow.

HUNT—MATCHETT.—April 25, at Brierly, Fern-street, Waverley, by the Rev. John Hulme, James Henry, eldest son of the late H. H. Hunt, of Forbes, to Honora Elizabeth, eldest daughter of George Matchett, of Bald-hill station, near Grenfell.

Deaths.

BOWERS.—May 3, 1900, at her residence, 22 Stanley-street, Kingston, Rebecca Sophia, dearly beloved wife of James Bowers, in her 81st year. At rest.

BOLTON.—April 19, 1900, at his residence, Ellerslie, Horsham, Victoria, Stuart Blacker Bolton, aged 66 years, beloved husband of Violet Elizabeth Bolton and third son of the late Colonel John Bolton, 75th Foot.

BUTLER.—May 2, at his late residence, Tennyson Point, Parramatta River, Mr. Henry Butler, of 556 George-street, city. R.I.P.

MACKANESS.—May 3, at the residence of her daughter, North-road, Ryde, Amelia Martha, relict of the late James Mackaness, of Blue's Point-road, North Sydney, aged 88 years.

WEARNE.—May 3, 1900, at his residence, Glebe-road, Glebe Point, John Wearne, sen., J.P., aged 67 years, 51 years resident New South Wales.

In Memoriam.

ANDREW.—In loving memory of our loved mother, who departed this life May 3, 1889, at her residence, 109 Morehead-street, Redfern. "Never will her memory fade." Inserted by her loving daughters, Ann Linstern and Mary Strange.

DUBBER.—In loving remembrance of our dear mother, Mary Ann Dubber, who died May 4, 1898, at her residence, 118 Denison-street, Kingston, aged 55 years.

All who have a mother, O love her while she'll stay,
She will not always linger here, too soon she'll pass away.
We never knew a mother's worth, nor missed the love she gave,
Until within the lonely earth her silent form was laid.

Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Amy and Lawrence Morgan.

DUBBER.—In sad but loving memory of our dear mother, Mary Ann Dubber, who died May 4, 1898, at her residence, 118 Denison-street, Kingston, aged 55 years.

Long and lonely are these hours,
Softly do they pass away,
Thinking of thee, dearest mother,
Till we, her children, meet again.

Inserted by her loving son and daughters, James, Lizzie, Ada, Annie, and Emily Dubber.

DUBBER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, who died at her residence, No. 118 Denison-street, Newtown, May 4, 1898, aged 55 years.

Oh, mother dear, we ofttimes miss thee;
No mother dear to run to now.
How we often wish we had you;
Mother dear has left us now.

Inserted by her loving son and daughter-in-law, William and Mary Dubber.

HICKING.—In affectionate remembrance of our dear daughter, Laura Cecilia Maria Hicking, who fell asleep in Jesus, at Marrickville, May 4, 1894, aged 28 years 17 days. Never forgotten. Inserted by her loving parents, J. W. and M. Wheeler.

M'LEAN.—In loving memory of our dearly beloved son and brother, John William M'Lean, who died at our late residence, Macquarie-street, Leichhardt, on May 4, 1894, aged 15 years and 4 months.

When we meet our loving Saviour,
What a happy hour 'twill be;
When we're gathered with our loved ones,
And their happy faces see.

Inserted by his loving parents, brothers, and sisters.

RILEY.—In sad but loving memory of my dear wife, Hannah, and our loving mother, who died May 4, 1899, aged 40 years.

Long days and nights she bore her pain,
To wait for cure was all in vain;
But God alone, who knoweth best,
Did cure her pain, and gave her rest.

Inserted by her loving husband and daughters, Robert, Lena, and Emily.

THOMPSON.—In loving remembrance of our dear daughter, Ethel, who fell asleep in Jesus' arms on April 27, 1900, at Gerringong, aged 15½ years. Inserted by her loving parents, Arthur and Mary Thompson.

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SHELLHARBOUR, Albion Pk., Robertson.—S.S. Peterborough leav. Buckle's Wf, Pmt., To-day, 5. J. Aubin.

CAPE HAWKE.—S.S. Kingsley leaves Govt. Iron Wharf, FRIDAY, 5 p.m. Cargo received. J. Booth.

LAURIETON, Kendall, Camden Haven.—S.S. Kincumber, Buckle's Wf., Sat., noon. See to-mor. Herald.

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GORDON.—Lost, between Station and Park-av., a gold Ring with 1 diamond and 4 pearls; rew. Stationm.

LOST, on the Belle Vue Hill steps, a leather Purse, containing £5 10s. Reward, Herald.

LOST, a Black Knitted PURSE; finder keep money if return purse. Manly Wharf, Circular Quay.

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LOST, Thursday morning, 9 a.m. tram Paddington, large Magnifying Glass. Return 16 Elizabeth-st.

LOST, Gold-mounted SPECTACLES, left cab 11.30 p.m. Wednesday. Reward. Pfahlert's Hotel.

LOST, Collie DOG, brown with white ruff, answers to Fritz. Reward. Carrara, Nelson-st., Woollahra.

LOST, George-st., PHOTO. PROOFS and CARDCASE. Reward. Mrs. Henry Morgan, Wentworth Hotel.

LOST, NOTEBOOK, North Botany, containing bills. Finder rewarded. S. Hayes, butcher, North Botany.

LOST, Monday, 9.30 a.m. Southern train, brown-paper Parcel. Write, Sparkwell, Edgecliff-rd., Woollahra.

LOST, Ruby-and-diamond Shirt STUD in tram or between Allison-road and St. Mark's-road, Randwick. Reward at
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the following matter will be held at the Court, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, on the 23rd day of MAY, 1900, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 21st day of MAY, 1900:—Re RAYWOOD, trading as Haywood and Company (No. 13,947), of Avenue-road, Mosman, near Sydney, Property Agent. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. N. F. GIBLIN, Official Assignee.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. In Bankruptcy (No. 14,055).—Re JOHN RIDDELL, of Lithgow and Bathurst, Draper and Clothier.—NOTICE is hereby given that the First MEETING of Creditors in the above matter will be held at the office of the Official Assignee, at No. 47 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, on the 14th day of MAY, 1900, at 3 p.m. To entitle a creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 11th day of MAY, 1900. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. W. H. PALMER, Official Assignee. (4c-43)

PURSUANT to the Lunacy Statutes, the creditors of FRANK HEGGARTY, formerly of Balmain, but now for some time past residing at the Hospital for the Insane at Callan Park, an Insane Patient, are forthwith to come in and prove their claims on or before the 18th day of May, 1900, before the Master in Lunacy, at his office, Supreme Court, Sydney, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded the benefit of the inquiry now pending relative thereto.
Dated at Sydney this 3rd day of May, 1900.
HENRY FRANCIS BARTON,
(993-951) Master in Lunacy.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ISAIAH MUTTON, late of Pyrmont, in the colony of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the First Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the eighteenth day of May instant, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law; and Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the Executors. Dated this third day of May, in the year 1900. T. W. GARRETT, Registrar. HERBERT LANGLEY TRESS, Proctor, 76 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of MARTHA BARRY, late of Orange, formerly of Dubbo, in the colony of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ERNEST BARRY, the Executor in the said Will named, and all persons having any claims against the said Estate are hereby requested to forward same to the undersigned, at whose offices all notices may be served. M'INTOSH and TODHUNTER, Proctors for the Executor, 121 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM TREAL, late of Bloom Hill, O'Connell, in the colony of New South Wales, School Teacher, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to PERCY MACQUARIE TREAL, of Bathurst, in the said colony, Draper, the sole Executor named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the offices of the undermentioned Proctors. JOHN M'PHILLAMY, Proctor, Bathurst. By ICETON and FAITHFULL, his Agents, 86 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of DENIS M'CLAFFERTY, late of Balmain, Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Grocer, deceased. Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to EDWARD M'GEE, of the Glebe, Sydney aforesaid, the Executor named in the said Will. ALFRED SYDNEY BOULTON, Proctor for the Executor, Bull's-chambers, 14 Moore-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ELIZABETH MARY FORSAITH, late of Parramatta, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made within fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration (with the Will annexed) of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to DAVID SMART WALKER, of Pitt-street, Sydney, in the said colony, House and Land Agent. And all notices may be served at Norwich-chambers, Hunter-street, Sydney. MINTER, SIMPSON, and CO., Proctors, Norwich-chambers, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JOHN S. SIMPSON, late of Dungalear, near Warren, in the colony of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to FLORENCE MARIA SIMPSON, the Widow of the said deceased. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. MINTER, SIMPSON, and CO., Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of CHARLES SLOANE, late of Bourke, in the colony of New South Wales, Carrier, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MATILDA JANE SLOANE, the Widow of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at Darling-street, Bourke.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of DANIEL MURPHY, late of Tenterfield, in the colony of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHANNA MURPHY, the Executrix named in the said Will, and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. JAMES FRANCIS THOMAS, Proctor, Tenterfield. By his Agent—F. B. WILKINSON, 18 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JAMES WEIR, late of Thirroul, in the colony of New South Wales, Miner, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to HELEN WEIR, the Widow of the said deceased. And all notices may be served upon the applicant at the undersigned address. HELEN WEIR, M'Cauley Park, Thirroul.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ROBERT WILLIAM SMITH, late of Canterbury, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Fancy Leather Goods-maker, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARY ANN SMITH, the sole Executrix named in the said Will. And all notices may be served at the offices of the undersigned. AITKEN and AITKEN, Proctors for the Executrix, 44 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—TAKE NOTICE that I, EVAN OWEN PROSSER, of 21 Aubin-street, Neutral Bay, in the colony of New South Wales, lately serving under Articles of Clerkship to Archibald George M'Kenzie Friend, of Martin-place, Sydney, solicitor, and subsequently by assignment thereof to William Hamilton, of Moore-street, Sydney, solicitor, do intend to apply on the last day of the present Term to be admitted an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of this honourable Court. Dated this third day of May, A.D. 1900. E. O. PROSSER.

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THE BLAYNEY MINING AND SMELTING COMPANY, No Liability, Equitable-buildings, Collins-street, Melbourne, 4th April, 1900.—Mr. FREDERICK LUDLOW VOLLER, Accountant of the Blayney Mining and Smelting Company, No Liability, at Blayney, N.S.W., is hereby appointed as Public Officer for this Company in the colony of New South Wales, and is hereby authorised to furnish all such returns of income, expenditure, and other affairs of this Company as may be required under New South Wales Acts and Regulations. The common seal of the Company was hereunto affixed in the presence of GEO. GRAY, J. E. SCANTLEBURY, Directors; FRED. COTTELL, Legal Manager.

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No entries will be received except on these conditions:—That all disputes, claims, and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by the Stewards or those whom they may appoint.
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R. M. M'C. ANDERSON, Town Clerk.
Town Hall, Sydney, 3rd May, 1900.

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On account Messrs. Jno. E. Moore, J. Sladen, J. Hill, D. M'Kinnon, J. Baxter, and others,
300 Head of Cattle, comprising
60 Choice Forward Springing Heifers
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THE NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND M. A. CO., Ltd., will sell by public auction THIS DAY, Friday,
At their Rooms, Loftus-street, Hides, at 9.30 a.m.
At the Wool Exchange { Tallow at 10.30 a.m. / Sheepskins, 1.45 p.m.

HIDES, SHEEPSKINS, and TALLOW.
PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Limited, will sell THIS DAY, at their Stores, Circular Quay, Hides and at their Salesroom, No. 3 Macquarie-place, Sheepskins and Tallow.

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Government Notices.

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ATTENTION is directed to the notification in the Government Gazette of this date of APPLICATIONS made for SPECIAL LEASES, as hereunder mentioned. Any objections lodged in writing at this office on or before 5th MAY, 1900, or before the Local Land Board shall have concluded its inquiry at the hearing of the respective applications for such Special Leases, will be duly considered; and any objections lodged after that period will not be entertained.
F. H. WILSON, Acting Chairman.
The North Shore Gas Company, Limited, Co. Cumberland, Ph. Willoughby, Neutral Bay, for two jetties on piles.
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Meetings.

THE usual Weekly Illustrated Lecture to Ladies (comp.) under the auspices of the Australian Vivi Co. will be given THIS DAY, at Equitable-building, George-street, at 3 p.m.

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The Twenty-sixth Annual General MEETING of Members will be held in the Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, Sydney, at 8 o'clock p.m., on WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of May, 1900, to Receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the year ending 31st March, 1900, and to Elect two Directors and one Auditor.
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10 Useful Light Harness and Saddle Horses, all thoroughly broken in.
On Account Mr. J. CALLINAN, Granville,
4 First-class Hackneys, thoroughly broken in, including the well-known fencers TAHRANA and JUPITER. Full particulars at sale.

HIGH-CLASS CARRYALL TURNOUT.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. S. A. Palmer to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Upstanding Bay Carriage Gelding, with black points, excellent harness horse, and stylish, high-class American Carryall (by Hooker), in splendid order, and set of tip-top Harness, making a handsome turnout.

HANDSOME PONY TURNOUT.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. KNOX to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Handsome Stoutly-built Pony, by Bonnie Charlie, quiet for lady; set of B.M. Harness, and neat Sulky.

RELIABLE HORSE, SULKY, and HARNESS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. GEO. HARRIS to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Bay Gelding, 5 years, 15.2, broken to saddle and harness, reliable; 3-spring Sulky and Set of Harness. Positive Sale.

ACTIVE VAN GELDING.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. JORDAN to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Brown active Draught Gelding, a staunch and good worker; subject to trial.

SUPERIOR SADDLE and HARNESS HORSE.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Owner to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Bay Mare, 15.1, 6 years, broken to saddle and harness; staunch and good.

4 FRESH COUNTRY HORSES, from PICTON.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. A. HYLAND to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
4 Upstanding Light Horses, thoroughly broken in; subject to trials.

USEFUL HARNESS HORSE.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. COLEBROOK to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Bay Gelding, 6 years old, active and staunch, suit tradesman's cart or sociable.

TWO FIRST-CLASS S. AND D. HORSES.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. E. J. BLACK, PARRAMATTA, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Ches. Gelding, 15.3 high, thoroughly broken to s. and d. harness—a splendid buggy horse or pent.'s hackney; also, upstanding bay Mare, suitable for either cab or sociable.

STYLISH DOGCART TURNOUT.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Brown Gelding, 6 years, a stylish and fast mover in sad. and har., Set of S.-mounted Harness, and Eng. Dogcart. A really first-class lot.

W. INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, THIS DAY, 12 noon, at Bazaar, 4 new first-class Sulkies, bent and straight shafts, Patent Lamps.
Compulsory Sale.

HIGH-CLASS CARRYALL, very handsome thick-set Pony, Bent-shaft Sulky and Har., suit lady; 3 first-class Sad. and Har. Ponies, 12 to 13.3 hds. Sale 12.
W. INGLIS and SONS.

CLEARING-OUT SALE of GOODWILL and PLANT of a unique BUTCHERING BUSINESS, on the Premises,
78 QUEEN-STREET, WOOLLAHRA,
on MONDAY AFTERNOON NEXT, at 2.30 p.m.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. F. BRANCH to sell by auction, as above,
The Goodwill and Plant of a first-class Butchering Business, fitted up in the latest style, and comprising—
3 Staunch Horses, thoroughly reliable and good, 2 Butchers' Carts, 1 Dogcart and Harness, Riding Sad. and Bridle, neat Shop Fittings, 2 first-class Blocks, 4 Marble Tables, 1 heavy Cutting Board, 1 Salting ditto, 2 sup. sets of Scales, Brass Weights complete, set of Steelyards, also other sundries and equipments of a high-class establishment.
THE ABOVE IS A PROFITABLE AND WELL-APPOINTED BUSINESS, AND IS BEING PARTED WITH SOLELY ON ACCOUNT OF THE PRESENT PROPRIETOR'S FAILING HEALTH.

THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock sharp.
FOR ABSOLUTE SALE BY AUCTION,
SPLENDID BAY PONY MARE, Set Plated Harness, and Varnished Oak Sulky, Lamps, Cushions, and Whip, and in use a few months only, and a capital Turnout.
SUPERIOR DOUBLE-SEATED BUGGY, with Brake.
EXCELLENT SULKY, Plated Mounts, &c.
For various Vendors, in Yard and Lane rear of THE BURWOOD SALEROOMS.

PRODUCE SALES.
SALES by AUCTION will be held TO-DAY, Friday, by the Australasian Mortgage and Agency Co., Ltd., John Bridge and Co., Ltd., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., Hill, Clark, and Co., Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd., Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., A. P. Wyly and Co., as under:—
HIDES.—At the various Stores, Circular Quay, at 9.30 a.m.
TALLOW.—At the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place, at 10.30 a.m.
SHEEPSKINS.—At the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place, at 1.45 p.m.

GOLDSBROUGH, MORT, and CO., Ltd., will sell by auction TO-DAY, Hides, Tallow, Sheepskins.
THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction at his Rooms, 247a Pitt-street, the Unredeemed CLOTHING pledged with Mr. A. Marcoschis, of Regent-street, Redfern, comprising Clothing, Boots, Blankets, &c.
THIS DAY, at 2.30.

MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction, at Hay and George streets, Haymarket, New and Second-hand Clothing, Tools, Watches, Jewellery, Furniture, Bedsteads, Blankets, Sheets, and Sundries. No Reserve.

CRITERION THEATRE.
Lessee and Manager ..... Alfred Dampier
Directress ..... Miss Katherine Russell (Mrs. Alfred Dampier)
Business Manager ..... Mr. George Buller
THRONGED TO THE DOORS.
EXTRAORDINARY ATTRACTION.
Reappearance of
ALFRED DAMPIER,
the "Most Popular Actor in Australia," and his Famous DRAMATIC COMPANY.
TO-NIGHT,
Grand Revival of
ROBBERY UNDER ARMS.
"'Tis the scene as it was in the long-vanished fifties,
As though o'er our senses enchantment had cast
The magical power of its wonderful glamour
To call back before us the days that have passed."
A GREATER SUCCESS THAN EVER.
"Hands, caps, and tongues applaud it to the skies."—Shakespeare.
CAPTAIN STARLIGHT ..... ALFRED DAMPIER
Supported by the Full Strength of the Company.
Private Boxes, £1 1s; Dress Circle, 3s; Stalls, 2s; Family Circle, 1s; Gallery, 6d. Early Doors to F. Circle and Gallery, 6d extra.
Box Plan at Nicholson and Co.'s.
Carriages may be ordered for 10.50.

CRITERION THEATRE.
SHAKESPEARE FRIDAYS.
A REQUEST TO THE PUBLIC.
During the season the management will stage several Shakespearian Plays—Patrons are requested to indicate which play they would prefer by writing the title on a slip and handing same to the checktaker upon ENTERING OR LEAVING THE THEATRE.
The management will be guided by the votes.

Auction Sales.

IMPERATIVE SALE.
On the PREMISES, 80 GEORGE-STREET, CAMPERDOWN, near TOWN HALL.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 10 o'clock.
FINE UPSTANDING HORSE, VILLAGE CART, and HARNESS, also quantity of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS and sundries.
DALWOOD and CO., Limited, will sell as above.

IN THE BANKRUPT ESTATE of HENRY WILLIAM BROOK, trading as H. W. BROOK and CO., AUCTIONEERS, 146 ELIZABETH-STREET, CITY.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 4th, at 11 O'CLOCK,
AT OUR SPACIOUS ROOMS, 115 BATHURST-STREET.
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS, comprising
GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, CARPET SQUARES
LINOLEUM, OILCLOTH, Stained Walnut SIDEBOARDS, all sizes; KAPOK BEDDING
WALNUT OVAL LOO TABLES
DINING-ROOM SUITES, BEDROOM SUITES
DRAWING-ROOM SUITES, Office Tables
AXMINSTER SQUARES, Door slips, Wire-wove MATTRESSES, TOILET SETS, M.-TOP WASHSTANDS
KITCHEN TABLES, KITCHEN DRESSERS
LAUNDRY UTENSILS, and SUNDRIES.
DALWOOD and CO., Limited, have received instructions from NORMAN F. GIBLIN, Esq., Official Assignee, to conduct the above IMPORTANT SALE.
ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

GLEBE POINT.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 3 o'clock,
27 FORSYTH-STREET.
The Whole of the SUPERIOR FURNITURE of a Bijou Cottage.
Best quality LINOLEUM, WALNUT OVERMANTEL
Fine DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, 7 pieces. Tap. and Plush
NEW HOME SEWING MACHINE, equal to new
WALNUT PIANO, suitable for learner
Fine BEDROOM SUITE, Toilet Sets, Combinations
4.6 and 3.6 Half-tester Brass-mounted BEDSTEADS, Wire and Kapok Bedding, and Bed Clothing
ENCLOSED KITCHEN DRESSER, Ice Chest, Mangle
KITCHEN UTENSILS, and SUNDRIES.
DALWOOD AND CO., Limited, have received instructions from Miss STONE, who is leaving for Western Australia, to sell
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

TO THE FURNISHING TRADE, COUNTRY BUYERS, DEALERS, and OTHERS.
FOR SALE BY AUCTION at the ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET,
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 4, at 11 O'CLOCK Sharp.
On Account of those Concerned.
20 PACKAGES RATTAN FURNITURE in Couches, Lounges, Chairs, Tables, Blinds, &c.
Also,
20 CASES AMERICAN DINING CHAIRS and
40 SUPERIOR WALNUT OVERMANTELS.
Also,
SECOND-HAND FURNITURE.
A. TRAVERSI AND CO. will sell as above at their Rooms, 12 Barrack-street, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, May 4, at 11 o'clock sharp,
WITHOUT RESERVE.

THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.
GUILLE and CO., of Newtown, will auction without reserve on account Govt. N. S. Wales, at G.P.O. Yard, Martin-place, BUILDING MATERIALS, &c., comprising
Large Quantity Oregon Scantling, &c.
Ditto Hardwood
Doors, Glazed Sashes, and Box Frames
Wrought-iron Joists and Girders
Galvanised Iron Corrugated Tanks
Quantity Pig Iron
Cast and Wrought Iron Scrap
Large quantity Ruberoid Roofing, suitable for Roofing Purposes or Dampcourses (good order)
Quantity Wrought and Galvanised Iron Piping
Scrap Brass and Copper
Quantity Sheet and Scrap Lead
100 Cement Casks
Cedar Framing, Fanlights, Louvres, &c.
Large quantity Galvanised Iron, large and small corrugations
Quantity Zinc and Galvanised Iron Guttering
Flooring, Linings, &c., &c. Terms, Cash.

AT 12 O'CLOCK NOON.
THE MINING EXCHANGE, INVERELL.
UNRESERVED SALE OF SHARES in the Bora Creek Extended Silver, Lead, and Tin Mining Company, No Liability.
Forfeited for Non-payment of Call No. 10.
In Lots to Suit Purchasers.
ARTHUR BLOORE is favoured with instructions from the Secretary of the above Company to sell by public auction as above, on FRIDAY, the 11th of May, at 12 o'clock noon, Forfeited Shares, as under, without reserve,

200 shares,	progressive numbers		69101 to 69300
200 Ditto,	ditto	ditto	69901 to 70100
100 Ditto,	ditto	ditto	72501 to 72600
25 Ditto,	ditto	ditto	72676 to 72700
250 Ditto,	ditto	ditto	74101 to 74350
200 Ditto,	ditto	ditto	74801 to 75000

CHATSWOOD.
UNRESERVED SALE of SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS,
at HUGH DUFF and CO.'S Spacious AUCTION ROOMS, immediately at CHATSWOOD RAILWAY STATION,
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, 5th MAY, at 2.30 p.m.,
under instructions from J. B. WOOD, Esq., on account of his departure for Europe by the s.s. Ortona,
RICH-TONED PIANO, in Walnut Case (Weidig)
WALNUT DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, Overmantels, Whatnots, Folding Chairs, Cabinet, Hal stand, Bookcase, Sideboard, Austrian Suite, SEWING MACHINE (New Automatic, Ice Chest, Double and ¾ BEDSTEADS, H.H. Mattress, M.T. Washstands, Arm Chairs, Rocking Chairs, Perambulator, Chest of Drawers, WARDROBE, DUCHESSE DRESSING TABLE, Toilet Sets, Ladies' Writing Desk, Dresser (glass), Tables, Meat Safe, Mangle, Wringer, Commode, Iron Fenders, Crockery Kitchen Utensils, Garden Seat, and numerous sundries.
HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction at their salerooms, VICTORIA-AVENUE, CHATSWOOD (right at railway station),
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, 5th MAY, at 2.30 p.m., as above.
NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.

CHATSWOOD, at Glyngarth, Victoria-av., nr. Archer-st.
UNRESERVED SALE of Household Furniture and Effects, TO-MORROW, at 1 p.m.
Double and Single Bedsteads, Washstand, Tables, Sideboard, Austrian Chairs, Dresser, Gas Stove, Oilcloth, Crockery, Tinware, and Sundries.
No Reserve. Terms, Cash.
HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on the Premises, TO-MORROW, Saturday, 5th May, at 1 p.m., as above.

Demolition 'Bus Stables,
Dulwich-street, at tram terminus, Dulwich Hill.
SATURDAY, MAY 5th, at 2 o'clock.
In Lots to Suit Buyers.
120 Shts. Cor. Iron, 10, 8, 6 ftt.
100 Shts. 6ft. small Corrugated Iron.
60 Rafters, 4 x 2, quantity Studs and Battens, Wall Plates, and Posts H wood, equal to new.
Lot Assorted Timbers.
5000 Machine-pressed Bricks, good sample.
GEO. P. BAINES invites Poultry-farmers and others to this sale. Bona fide. Unreserved.

NORTH SYDNEY.
BUILDING MATERIALS. BUILDING MATERIALS.
SATURDAY AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock.
Whaling-road, off Alfred-street.
The TIMBER, IRON, DOORS, SASHES, and Frames and Building Materials of 3 Weatherboard Cottages have been taken down. The materials are all in first-class condition, and will be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION as above, including
200 Sheets A1 Galvanised Iron, 6 to 10 ft. lengths
500ft. 6 x 2½ Joists, 4 x 2½ Rafters, Studs
200ft. Wallplates, Bearers, Box Frames and Sashes, Doors
900ft. Weatherboards, 25 0ft. Lining Boards
Skirtings, Architraves, Mantels, Grates, &c.
7000 Machine-made Bricks, Stone Footing, &c.
A. BARNETT has received positive instructions to sell as above,
These First-class Materials.
WITHOUT RESERVE.

WARWICK FARM RACES.
TO-MORROW. TO-MORROW.
Splendid outing and early return.
TRAINS—11, 12.25, 12.50, and 1.18.
Reserved Carriages for Ladies, 12.50.

AT THE RISK OF A DEFAULTING PURCHASER.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 4th MAY, AT 11 A.M.
AT THE AUCTION ROOMS of
LAWSON, CARO, AND CO., Limited,
128-130 PITT-STREET, near King-street.
BEST QUALITY FIVE-FRAMED BRUSSELS CARPET, size 20 x 14, Bedsteads and Bedding, Combination Dressing Chests, Single Wardrobes, Washstands and Toilet Ware, &c., &c.
LAWSON, CARO, and CO., Ltd.,
JAMES R. LAWSON, AUCTIONEER,
WILL SELL BY AUCTION AS ABOVE,
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.
THE WHOLE OF THE ABOVE GOODS ARE OF VERY SUPERIOR QUALITY.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 4th MAY, AT 11 A.M.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION, at THE AUCTION ROOMS of
LAWSON, CARO, AND CO., Limited,
128-130 PITT-STREET, near King-street.
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS,
including the Complete Furnishings of a Gentleman's Residence Removed from North Sydney.
Comprising
GLASSWARE, CHINA, CUTLERY,
SUPERIOR QUALITY ELECTROPLATE.
LARGE PLATED URN,
with separate compartments for Tea, Coffee, and Hot Water, suitable for a Cafe or Restaurant.
DINING-ROOM FURNITURE, including
A NOBLE SIDEBOARD, size 7ft.,
made in solid American walnut, most conveniently constructed, with two side enclosed cabinets, centre enclosed cupboard and three drawers, the lofty back fitted with large bevelled edged mirror, two side enclosed cupboards, mirror panels and gallery top.
DINING-ROOM SUITE of nine pieces,
upholstered in the finest Morocco leather.
TELESCOPE DINING TABLES,
fitted with patent screw and spare leaves, extending 8, 10, and 12 ft.
ENCLOSED DINNER WAGGON.
EASY LOUNGE CHAIRS, upholstered in leather.
EXQUISITE OVERMANTELS.
ROYAL AXMINSTER CARPET SQUARES, sizes 13 x 9, 10.10 x 8.8, and 10 x 7ft. 6.
DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE and APPOINTMENTS, including
ELEGANT DRAWING-ROOM SUITE,
beautifully upholstered in silk tapestry and plush.
MAGNIFICENT EXHIBITION CABINET,
fitted with numerous open and enclosed compartments, with rare panels of lacquer work, overlaid profusely with birds and flowers, in ivorine and mother-o'-pearl.
*** A Rare Specimen of Japanese Art.
OCCASIONAL TABLES AND CHAIRS.
RATTAN FURNITURE,
in the newest designs and of superior quality.
CHOICE ORNAMENTS.
OIL PAINTINGS AND WATER-COLOUR DRAWINGS.
SEVERAL PIANOFORTES,
New and Second-hand, by renowned Makers.
BEDROOM FURNITURE, including
LARGE ASH and WALNUT SUITE, consisting of
Break-front Wardrobe, size 7ft., Pair Pedestal Toilets, Pedestal Cupboard, and Towel Rail.
SEVEN FEET WALNUT WARDROBE,
fitted with three plate-glass mirror doors.
BLACK AND BRASS HALF-TESTER BEDSTEAD,
size 6ft. 6in. x 4ft. 6in., furnished with Double-wove Spring Mattress and Horsehair Mattress.
DOUBLE and SINGLE BEDSTEADS, and Bedding complete,
SUITES FOR DOUBLE AND SINGLE APARTMENTS.
SINGER'S SEWING MACHINE,
fitted with all the latest improvements.
KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY REQUISITES,
PATENT TWO-ROLLER MANGLE, EUREKA GAS STOVE, &c., &c.
Also
SUPERIOR TYPEWRITER, the Daugherty Visible.
LAWSON, CARO, and CO., Ltd.,
JAMES R. LAWSON, AUCTIONEER,
have been favoured with instructions to conduct the Important Sale by auction as above,
AT THE AUCTION ROOMS,
128, 130 PITT-STREET.
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

HENRY WILLIAM BROOK, BANKRUPT, desires TO PUBLICLY THANK the great number of Friends who have tendered him PRACTICAL SYMPATHY in his Commercial misfortune.
*** Adversity proves the quality of friendship. ***

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 4th MAY, at 11 a.m.,
AT 146 ELIZABETH-STREET, near Liverpool-street.
UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS, on account of Various Owners (ten loads).
BEDSTEADS and BEDDING, 2ft. 6in., 3ft. 6in., and 4ft. 6in., Cot
BEDROOM SUITES, Combination Chests, Wardrobe, Marble-top Washstands, Toilet Ware, 4-drawer Chest
SIDEBOARDS, 4ft. and 5ft., Bokcases, Dining Tables, Cutlery, Crockery, Glassware, Couches, Chairs, Ornts.
GOOD DINING-ROOM SUITE, in American Leather
HALL STANDS, Davenport, Rattan Chairs and Settee
Dresser, Kit. Tables, Safe, Ice Chest, Mangle
TWO GOOD SEWING MACHINES
Three Gas Stoves, Six Restaurant Tables, and a Lot of Miscellaneous Furniture and Sundries.
Everything is in First-class Condition.
H. F. BROOK, formerly
H. W. BROOK AND CO.,
has received instructions from Various Owners TO SELL THIS DAY, AT 11 A.M.

AT THE EXCHANGE SALEROOM (THE EXCHANGE, BRIDGE-STREET).
THIS DAY, 4th MAY, 1900, at 2.30 p.m.
Under instructions from Messrs. DALGETY and CO., Limited.
505 PACKAGES CEYLON TEAS,
ex Ville de la Ciotat, from Colombo.
ALFRED HARVEY and CO.,
SELLING BROKERS,
63 PITT-STREET, SYDNEY.
SAMPLES ON VIEW AT BROKERS' OFFICE.

AT THE EXCHANGE SALEROOM (The Exchange, Bridge-street)
THIS DAY,
FRIDAY, MAY 4th, 1900, at 2.30 p.m.
Under instructions from Messrs. GIBBS, BRIGHT, and CO. and Other Importers.
400 PACKAGES CEYLON TEA
250 Ditto INDIAN Ditto
900 Ditto CHINA Ditto.
Ex ORTONA, &c., from COLOMBO,
and sundry Steamers from Calcutta, Foochow, and Hongkong
(NEW SEASON'S, 1899-1900),
All Grades from "Good Common" up to "Finest."
H. W. CAREY and CO., Tea Brokers, &c., 18 Bridge-street, Sydney.
SAMPLES "On Show" and CATALOGUES at the BROKERS' OFFICES.

MONDAY, 14th MAY, 1900, at 11 o'clock.
To Sanitary Engineers, Plumbers, Builders, Private Householders, and the Trade.
By order of Messrs. James M'Ewan and Co., Limited, and at their Premises, Hay-street.
R. G. WATKINS and CO. are instructed to sell a most complete assortment of Sanitary Ware, manufactured by the celebrated Sanitary Engineer, George Jennings, London.
This invoice comprises
Porcelain, Enamelled, and Marble Sinks, W.Cs., Basins, and Urinals, Drinking Fountains, &c., G.M. and Nickel Cocks, Shampoo and other Valves, Lead Traps, Stoneware, Sinks, &c.
Complete Household Sanitary Equipments in marble and slate, Separate Household Fixed and Movable Lavatories, Latrines, &c.
NOTE.—The Auctioneers desire to call attention to buyers that this is the most opportune time to buy sanitary ware, and that this shipment of Jennings' ware, valued at some thousands of pounds, has come at a time when the utmost precautions should be taken to refit every household with proper sanitary appliances.
Irrespective of this, they are instructed to sell WITHOUT RESERVE.
R. G. WATKINS and CO., 107 Kent-street.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 2.30 o'clock,
At 37 BROADWAY, GLEBE.
J. BROWN and CO. have received instructions from Mrs. LEWIS to sell by auction her very superior HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and Appointments of large Villa Residence, including a first-class PIANO by RONISCH, in most excellent order; DINING-ROOM SUITE of 9 pcs., in Real Leather; EXT. DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARDS, LINOLEUM, Drawing-room Furnishings, Overmantels, Carpets, Rugs, very HEAVILY BRASS-MTD. BEDSTEAD (Parisian design), complete BEDROOM SUITE, COMBINATIONS, Chests Drs., Toiletware, Glass, China, Laundry and Kitchen Utensils, and
ALL REQUISITES for furnishing throughout.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11 a.m., and throughout the day, with a break for lunch.
THE BURWOOD SALEROOMS,
THE HUB of the WESTERN SUBURBS.
From various gentry who are leaving or making important changes we have received during the month of April a Vast Assortment of Very VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and Handsome Appointments, which will be SOLD TO-DAY WITHOUT RESERVE.
OUR REGULAR GREAT MONTHLY SALE of the Better Class of Furnishings.
PIANOFORTES by Ronisch, Erard, Witmer, Sievert; all first-class makers, whose names are some guarantee of quality
AMERICAN ORGAN by the Sterling Co.
SOLID WALNUT DINING SUITE, very good solid Walnut Sideboards, Waggon, Bookcase, Double Bedroom Suite, several Bedroom Suites, solid Walnut 6ft. Table, pat. screw
Magnificent Carpets, best Brussels
SOME OF THE FINEST LINOLEUMS seen in a saleroom, Staine's best, quarter inch thick
SEVERAL PAIRS MAGNIFICENT CURTAINS
VERY BEAUTIFUL and COSTLY CHINA SERVICES
SOLID WALNUT HALL STAND and OTHERS
THREE MAGNIFICENT H.T. DOUBLE BEDSTEADS
SEVERAL GOOD SINGLE and ¾ BEDSTEADS
HANDSOME and COSTLY RUGS, in WILTON PILE, AXMINSTER
FENDERS, FIRE GUARD, BRASSES, &c., &c.
GRAND SEWING MACHINES by BEALE and SINGER
MAGNIFICENT SOLID WALNUT DRAWING-ROOM SUITES
GRAND CABINETS and OTHER ACCESSORIES
BEAUTIFUL STATUARY, BRONZES, BRIC-A-BRAC
SEVERAL SUPERB WALNUT OVERMANTELS
Large assortment of useful Furnishings throughout
Fine Dressers, Fuel Stove, Patent Mangle, Mowers, Kitchen Requisites in abundance.
INSPECTION FROM 9 A.M.
CATALOGUES at the Rooms.
STRONGMAN AND WATSON have instructions from various Vendors, including A. RHODES, Esq., Gale-street, Hunter's Hill, who is leaving for England.
N.B.—Gentry furnishing well, Dealers in the better class of Furniture, will have a feast of good things at this sale to-day.
Auctioneers' telephone, 210 Burwood.

PALMER-STREET, near LIVERPOOL-STREET, Woolloomooloo.
THIS DAY, AT 2 P.M.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
WM. TROUP AND CO. have been favoured with instructions to sell the Contents of an 8-roomed House,
comprising
BEDSTEADS and BEDDING, in splendid order
Chests Drawers, Toilet Pairs, Chairs, &c.
DINING-ROOM FURNITURE, Tables, Ornaments
Pictures, China and Glassware
Crockery, Cutlery, &c.
Kitchen and Laundry Utensils, Plants, &c.
WM. TROUP AND CO. will sell as above,
ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.
ROOMS and OFFICES, 285 PITT-STREET.

THIS DAY, AT 10 A.M. SHARP.
On the Premises, FIRST FLOOR, corner of KENT and MARKET STREETS.
FOR POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE.
50 NEW WOVEN-WIRE STRETCHERS
MATTRESSES, PILLOWS, TABLES
FORMS and CHAIRS.
*** The above nearly new, and only been in use six weeks.
BARNARD and CO. will sell as above.
Auctioneers' Offices, 74 Castlereagh-street.

To Tobacconists, Publicans, Storekeepers, Small Shopkeepers, Private Buyers, Dealers, and Others.
HYAM HAINS has received instructions from the Proprietor, who is relinquishing business to sell by public auction, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 4th May, at 11 a.m., on the Premises, No. 37 George-street West, opposite Tooth's Brewery, the whole of his Stock-in-Trade,
Cigars, Tobacco, Cigarettes, Pipes, Pouches, Perfumery, Matches, Cosmetiques, Stationery, Fancy Goods, Walking-sticks, Cutlery, Brushware, Shaving Pots, a quantity of Miscellaneous Articles. Also, Lady's First-class Bicycle (Hudson), in A1 condition.
No Reserve. Terms, Cash.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
ORDER OF SALE.
SHARES, CITY AND SUBURBAN PROPERTIES, to be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m., THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
SHARES.—Civil Service Co-operative.
CITY.—Block of Land, Princes and Lower Fort streets, together with No. 24 Lower Fort-street thereon.
REDFERN.—Shop and Dwelling and four Houses, Nos. 98 to 104 Pitt-street, close to Redfern-street. Freehold.
MOORE PARK.—Two Houses, Nos. 1 and 3 Prospect-street, south of Fitzroy-street.
ULTIMO.—Block of Land, Harris-street, little north of Mary Ann-street. Leasehold.
DITTO.—Two Blocks of Land, fronting Omnibus-street. Leasehold.
REDFERN.—Shop and two Cottages, Nos. 121 to 125 Morehead-street, little south of Redfern-street. Leasehold.
PITTWATER.—SCOTLAND ISLAND, in area 129¼ acres. Pittwater Bay. Mortgagee's sale.
STANMORE.—Cottage, called Belvoir, Bruce-street, between Trupe and Douglas streets.
DITTO.—House, Ben Lomond, Corunna-street, east of Northumberland-street.
BALMAIN.—Two Houses, Nos. 6 and 8 Ford-street, and Vacant Land, close to Darling-street.
BALMAIN.—Two Cottages, Short-street, little south of Bay-street. Mortgagee's sale.
NEWTOWN.—Two Cottages, Nos. 28 and 30 Angel-street, between Newman and Harold streets.
MOSMAN.—Allotment, Military-road, with small W.B. Shop thereon, close to Mrs. Rabone's residence.
TURRAMURRA.—Block of 10 Acres, Lane Cove-road, opposite residence of W. Kilgour, Esq.
PETERSHAM.—W.B. Cottage, Old Canterbury-road and St. John-street, between Parramatta-road and railway.
LEICHHARDT.—Allotment, White-street, Fineston Estate.
HOMEBUSH.—W.B. Cottage, Parramatta-road, near railway crossing.
FLEMINGTON.—Allotment, fronting Hampstead and Tavistock roads.
ENFIELD.—Butcher's shop, Cottage, and Stables, Liverpool-road, beyond Homebush-road.
MORTLAKE.—Allotment, Burwood-road and Hilly-street, close to Ferry Wharf.
SMITHFIELD.—One-third Share and Interest of P. F. Goodin, in unsold lots, town of Smithfield, about 100 acres. Mortgagee's sale.
BRINGELLY.—Block of 10a. 1r. 29p., Boyd and King's Subdivision.
RICHARDSON AND WRENCH, Ltd.

FORD-STREET, BALMAIN.
A very pleasant position, quite close to Darling-street.
Land, having 60ft. frontage by 110ft. depth, with right of way. On it are TWO HOUSES, Nos. 6 and 8 FORD-STREET, built of brick, each verandah, balcony, 5 rooms and kitchen, connected with sewer.
AUCTION SALE, THIS DAY, 4th MAY, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited. (4580)

TO-MORROW.
BY ORDER OF THE LIQUIDATOR OF THE WOMEN'S CO-OPERATIVE SILK-GROWING AND INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION of N.S.W., Ltd.,
ABSOLUTE SALE, on the GROUND,
WYEE, on the Great Northern Railway Line.
LOT 1.—FREEHOLD PROPERTY of 40 acres, known as Wirawidar, with IMPROVEMENTS.
LOT 2.—The Household Furniture, Farming Implements, &c.
AUCTION SALE, on the GROUND, at 12 o'clock, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, 5th MAY.
HARDIE and GORMAN, Auctioneers.

TO HOTELKEEPERS, CAPITALISTS, and OTHERS.
IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE of
HOTEL AND TOWN LANDS, FORBES.
WITHOUT RESERVE.
MESSRS. W. K. GARNSEY and SONS (in conjunction with Mr. N. A. READ) have received instructions from the Executors of the Will of the late LEVY VANDENBERG, deceased (under which the property hereafter described is directed to be sold), to offer by public auction, at Messrs. Garnsey and Sons' Offices, ON THE PREMISES, on
FRIDAY, the 25th day of MAY NEXT, at 12 o'clock noon,
The following well-known and valuable HOTEL PROPERTY (as a going concern), being one of the leading and longest established Hotels in the Western District:—
VANDENBERG'S COURTHOUSE HOTEL,
Situated in COURT-STREET, FORBES, and facing VICTORIA PARK, and in close proximity to the POST OFFICE, TOWN HALL, and COURTHOUSE.
The LAND on which the Hotel, &c., is built comprises ¾ an acre 5¼ perches, under the REAL PROPERTY ACT, nearly in the CENTRE of the TOWN OF FORBES.
The HOTEL (of two stories) is built of BRICK with roof of IRON, and contains some 40 Rooms, all faithfully built.
Attached to the Hotel are extensive and well-built STABLES of BRICK, with Iron Roof, together with LOOSE BOXES, BUGGY-SHEDS, &c.
In addition to the above, which are offered with the Hotel, are 3 SUITES of OFFICES, occupied by old and first-class tenants, and producing substantial rentals.
The whole is insured in the sum of £7000 or thereabouts.
The HOTEL, &c., has a frontage to Court-street of 300ft. or thereabouts, and comprises the following ALLOTMENTS:—
LOT 1.—8a, 8, part of 14, 15, 16a, 13 and part of 14 of Section 8.
LOT 2.—COTTAGE and 5½ perches in Templar-street, opposite the residence of the late William Thomas, being Allotment 8 of Section 8, under Torrens title.
Also,
LOT 3.—½ an acre, corner Berkley and Clement streets, Camp-hill, being Allotment 12 of Section 20. Freehold title.
LOT 4.—½ acre, adjoining, corner Bathurst and Clement streets; Allotment 8 of Section 20. Freehold title.
LOT 5.—8 acres on Orange-road, about ¾ mile from Post-office, being portions 610, 669, 670, and 671. Under Torrens title.
The Auctioneers call attention to this Sale as being one of the most important of Hotel Property, Town and Suburban Lands ever held in Forbes.
JOHN ROBINSON, Rankin-street, Forbes, is Solicitor for the Estate.
For further particulars apply to
W. K. GARNSEY and SONS, or N. A. READ, Auctioneers, Forbes.

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FEDERATION.

THE COMMONWEALTH BILL.

MEETING OF THE BAR ON CLAUSE 74.

RETENTION OF RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

A RESOLUTION CARRIED IN FAVOUR.

On April 27 last a number of members of the Bar sent a written communication to the Attorney-General requesting him to call a meeting of the Bar at which a resolution would be moved in favour of retaining the right of appeal to the Privy Council. To this letter Mr. H. Pollock, secretary to the Attorney-General, replied as follows:—"In reply, Mr. Wise instructs me to say that he is unable to accede to the request, as he does not think any good purpose can be served by holding a meeting of the Bar to discuss the subject now. The proper time to have considered the terms of the Commonwealth Constitution Bill was, in Mr. Wise's opinion, previous to the referendum and before it had been accepted by the popular vote." Upon the receipt of this communication a similar request was forwarded to the Hon. C. E. Pilcher, Q.C., M.L.C., signed by the following members of the Bar:—J. H. Want, Q.C., C. B. Stephen, J. T. Lingen, R. D. Pring, Dr. R. M. Sly, Bruce Smith, C. A. Coghlan, H. M. Hamilton, Dr. E. H. Brissenden, F. E. Salusbury, Hanbury Davies, W. J. G. Mann, A. Gordon, A. G. Ralston, H. M. Cockshott, J. L. Campbell, J. Gannon, P. W. Street, A. B. Shand, R. P. Owen, Adrian Knox, G. E. Rich, F. J. Bethune, Langer Owen, L. Whitfeld, R. K. Manning, E. J. Loxton, G. M. L. Innes, W. A. Walker, J. P. Sheridan, P. R. Higgins, J. H. Sheppard, S. E. Lamb, T. C. J. Foster, J. P. Pickburn, P. D. O'Brien, Hugh H. M. Merewether, H. W. Fairfax, W. K. S. Mackenzie, R. Windeyer, A. Thomson, E. S. Scarvell, W. W. H. Merewether, J. Moriarty, G. W. Fuller, J. N. Mason, J. B. Peden, C. B. Martin, R. Cowan, G. R. Campbell, R. C. Broomfield, G. H. Leibius, E. M. Noble, R. H. L. Innes, A. B. Piddington, G. Harris, A. James, A. R. J. Watt, E. J. Bayly Macarthur, W. C. Wentworth, H. W. Acland, A. F. Dawson, S. Browning, W. Tighe, G. H. Devonshire, D. Maughan, E. M. Stephen, J. W. Harvey, H. Manning, W. Newbery, and J. Garland. In accordance with this requisition, Mr. Pilcher convened a meeting of the Bar for 4.15 p.m. yesterday in the old Banco Court, King-street, which was very largely attended.

Mr. Pilcher, Q.C., who presided, briefly stated the object of the meeting, and mentioned that he had received letters from Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Hubert Manning, Mr. Rich, and Mr. Leibius, regretting that they were unable to be present.

Mr. Pring moved,—"That in the opinion of the New South Wales Bar any infringement of the present right of appeal to the Privy Council would be injurious to the public interest. That the above resolution be communicated to his Excellency the Governor with a request that he will cable it to the Secretary of State for the Colonies." He said that from the experience he had had he felt bound to say that it would be a very serious loss to the colony if the present right of appeal to the Privy Council was in any way curtailed. (Hear, hear.) They had in the Privy Council a most magnificent tribunal composed of the finest and ripest intellects in the world, and the only objection that he could see to it was the delay which might occur in some cases, an objection which was insignificant compared with the advantages gained. They had no doubt very able gentlemen on the Australian Bench, but from the very force of circumstances they could not have the same experience as the able gentlemen who composed the Privy Council.

Dr. Sly seconded the resolution, and said it had always been a hobby of his that the right of appeal to the Privy Council should be retained. He voted for the Commonwealth Bill, but he always opposed any attempt to interfere in any way with the right of appeal to the Privy Council, and therefore it could not be said that in supporting the resolution he was in any way an anti-federationist. He thought it would be disastrous if this right of appeal to such a high tribunal was not allowed. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. R. E. O'Connor, Q.C., moved the following amendment,—"That the members of the Bar of New South Wales decline to invite any amendment of the Commonwealth Bill or suggest any interference with the Imperial Parliament and the federal delegates in carrying out the expressed wishes of the people of Australia." (Hear, hear.) With regard to what Mr. Pring had said as to the capacity, ability, and fitness of the gentlemen who composed the Privy Council he was entirely with him, but it appeared to him that the members of the Bar who supported the resolution had forgotten the history of the past three years. (Hear, hear.) It might be all very well if this was a meeting of the Bar called to offer suggestions to assist the deliberations of the Convention as to the question of appeals to the Privy Council, but that time had gone by, and the Bar was now asked at this late period to express an opinion upon the Privy Council clause of the Commonwealth Bill. The Bar was absolutely silent on the point when the proper opportunity for expressing an opinion arose, and the members would be putting themselves in an extremely ridiculous position if they were to pass the resolution after the whole thing had been threshed out in all the colonies and after the constitution had been ratified twice by the people of Australia. (Hear, hear.) Such an expression of opinion as that indicated in the resolution ought to have been given long ago, and it was now belated and would be futile. (Hear, hear.) The British Government and the Imperial Parliament might be trusted to deal with the matter in the interests of the Empire, and he hoped when a settlement was arrived at, and if the Imperial Parliament sought fit to make amendments in clause 74 of the bill, everybody would accept them without demur in consideration of the immense benefits which the rest of the bill would confer upon the colonies. (Hear, hear.)

Dr. Cullen seconded the amendment, which he said did not commit anyone, as it simply said that the time had gone by for interference, and that the matter was now in the hands of gentlemen thoroughly well able to deal with it. He hoped they would accept Mr. O'Connor's invitation and express no opinion on the clause.

Mr. Pilcher said he was aware that there were many gentlemen in high positions in commercial and other circles in this city who voted for the Commonwealth Bill because it was the best plan for obtaining federation but at the same time they were strongly opposed to the 74th clause. He thought that the retention of the right of appeal to the Privy Council was of vital importance, not only to the Australian colonies, but the Empire generally. (Hear, hear.)

The amendment was then put and negatived on division by 65 to 27, and the resolution was put and carried.

THE FEDERAL DELEGATES.

ACTION BY THE SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE.

At a meeting of the Sydney Stock Exchange yesterday it was unanimously resolved to request the Premier to ask his Excellency the Governor to despatch the following cablegram to Mr. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies:—"Stock Exchange strongly urges maintenance of unfettered right of appeal to Sovereign in Council, one final tribunal only for whole Empire. (Signed) Ernest Davis, Chairman."

MESSAGE FROM MR. DEAKIN.

PUBLIC MOVEMENT URGED.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Mr. A. Deakin sent a cable message to the Premier suggesting there should be a public movement throughout Australia to impress on the Imperial Government that the people in these colonies desire that the Commonwealth Constitution Bill should be passed without amendment, and that in the measure creating the proposed tribunal to supersede the Privy Council as a final court of appeal for the Empire there should be provision made for Australia being represented on the Bench of that appellate court, and for its suits being heard before it. Mr. Deakin thinks that if this step is taken it will result in the Commonwealth Constitution Bill being passed by the Imperial Parliament without amendment, as it will show that the Commonwealth Parliament will afford facilities for appeals to the proposed Imperial Court of Appeal, and thereby allay the fears of those who wish the right of appeal to the English Courts to be maintained.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA AND FEDERATION.

PARLIAMENT SUMMONED TO CONSIDER THE QUESTION.

PERTH, Thursday.

Parliament has been summoned to assemble on the 17th instant to reconsider the question of federation. The Premier promises to introduce a measure providing for the immediate submission of the Commonwealth Bill to the people, as amended by the Premiers' Conference.

Sir John Forrest, on being interviewed last evening as to the position of the federation question, said that the Government had decided to summon Parliament for the special purpose of giving Parliament another opportunity of considering the question of referring the Commonwealth Bill to the people. It will be remembered that the Legislative Assembly last session approved of the bill as amended at the Conference of Premiers, and as amended by the joint select committee of both Houses of Parliament, being submitted to a referendum of the people. This proposition, made by the Premier, was supported by the members of the Opposition, but was not, however, passed by the Council. The Premier states that from the date of the prorogation he has been doing his best to obtain the consent of the Governments of the other colonies to the amendments required by the select committee. The Premier added:—"The amendments received the support of many public men in the eastern colonies, and several of the leading journalists, while the Government of Queensland approved and advocated our claims." He had no hesitation in saying that among the most prominent politicians and statists the one important amendment desired was considered reasonable. He believed that a majority of the Premiers at the Conference in Melbourne a few days ago were in favour of the amendments, but felt powerless to approve of any alteration in the bill without a further reference to the people. The Imperial Government took up the position that the Western Australian amendments were not a matter of Imperial concern, therefore it was not justified in making alterations. "I have done all in my power to obtain the amendments required with the object of protecting the financial interests of the colony, but owing to difficulties in the way, and to the opposition in this colony, it has become apparent to me that unless Parliament is at once summoned federation will be accomplished without the people of this colony having an opportunity of saying whether or not Western Australia shall enter as an original State. This being the case, the Government feel that Parliament should have an opportunity of again considering the question. Parliament accordingly will be summoned, and I propose to introduce a bill providing that the Commonwealth Bill as amended by the Premiers be at once submitted to a referendum of the people. If Parliament agrees to submit the bill then it will be the duty of the electors to decide whether the bill in its present shape sufficiently safeguards their interests. The Secretary of State had undertaken that, in the event of Parliament being summoned with the object stated, he will insert a clause in the bill providing that Western Australia shall enter as an original State, should the people intimate their desire to be included in the Commonwealth before the issue of her Majesty's proclamation."

THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

CLAIMS OF THE WESTERN DISTRICT.

MILLTHORPE, Thursday.

At a largely attended meeting of the local Federal League held last night, attended by delegates from Carcoar and Forest Reefs, a resolution was moved by Mr. Biddulph, of Carcoar, and unanimously carried, and will be forwarded to the Federal Capital Commissioner for consideration. The resolution is as follows:—"That in the interests of the Commonwealth the federal capital should be placed on the western tableland, outside the 100 miles radial limit; also on or near the hinterland line of railway, which will connect the city of Brisbane with Melbourne, and within a radius of 25 miles from Blayney Junction. In support of this the meeting states that an area can be secured to fulfil all requirements necessary, that the position mentioned is the only one in New South Wales forming a natural nucleus for the railway trunk system of federated Australia, both as regards existing and future lines made in response to requirements of same, and a prospective partition of the northern portions from the three large States, viz., Western Australia, South Australia, and Queensland. Also the ready communication with Port Darwin or Perth for the speedy passage of mails, troops, &c., either via Port Augusta, and thence north through Western Australia, or by line through Bourke and Cloncurry to Port Darwin, so advocated by Mr. Wilson."

NOWRA, Thursday.

It is stated that Mr. Alexander Hay, of Coolangatta, intends to come forward as a candidate for the federal electorate which includes Shoalhaven.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Clearly the feeling of the best informed persons in Australia has been pronounced in favour of retaining the right of final appeal to an Imperial court. The Australian delegates ask the English Government to yield in their objection to clause 74 on the ground that the Federal Parliament may be trusted to adopt the proposed new appellate and Imperial Court, and that, therefore, not a word of the Federal Bill should be touched. The meeting of yesterday at the Australia Hotel and similar expression of public feeling throughout the colonies will conclusively show the House of Commons that the very thing they can most safely do is just that one thing—trust the Federal Parliament to put the matter right and leave the bill as it stands and risk no friction with the true federalists of Australia. If the resolution passed so unanimously at the Australia Hotel represents the public view of the question, the Federal Parliament will reflect the opinion of the majority, which facts Mr. Chamberlain will duly note and gracefully and confidingly allow us to legislate for ourselves. Do we want the Appeal Court? If "yes," our own Parliament will adopt it.

I am, &c.,
DELTAMU.
May 3.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—You will, I trust, pardon my desire to take up a small space of your valuable paper, but simply as a voter and well-wisher to federation I cannot see the objection to the final appeal to the Privy Council, which, I take it, is the only element left for discussion. Now, a fair 90 per cent. of the people of the federating colonies cannot possibly be directly interested in any way in an appeal to the Privy Council, and the other 10 per cent., which I take it are the moneyed classes, are most anxious for the Privy Council to be the final appeal, judging by the cablegrams from banks, chambers of commerce, &c. Again, I suppose the British are interested to the tune in public and commercial interest to the extent of several hundred millions, so surely we can permit the British Government and Parliament to look after their people's wealth and interests; if not, what are they there for? Did not the Premiers act most judiciously in throwing the responsibility on the Home Government rather than jeopardise federation, even although it may be rough on the instructions given to the delegates when leaving? We are admittedly the freest people on earth. What is the final appeal to the multitude? Nothing. And you have those who are only likely to be interested for its inclusion clamouring for it. Again, may I ask why risk creating unrest or confidence in the smooth working of the immense amount of capital invested with us, however remote the possibility, and the confidence which has grown with our parent from our infancy practically without question. If the Home Parliament think wise to pass the bill in its entirety it will be a most gracious act of paternity, but should be their privilege, as the Premiers evidently leave the bill.

I am, &c.,
J. H. CRAVEN.
April 27.

DEATH OF MR. JOHN WEARNE, J.P.

By the death of Mr. John Wearne, J.P., another old colonist has passed away. The deceased gentleman arrived in Sydney in the year 1849 with his parents and other members of the family, and took up his abode at the Glebe, where the family resided for several years. His father, like himself, was a miller by trade, and entered upon his career as such in 1854, at Liverpool, in its wheat-growing days. There his father erected a mill, and carried on the business of milling with his sons for several years. When his father died Mr. Wearne came to Sydney, and in 1863 started a flour-mill in Sussex-street on the land now occupied by Messrs. Anthony Hordern and Sons' stores. There he remained for several years until a stroke of sickness overtook him. He then removed to Goulburn, where he resided for some time in the management of the flourmilling business of Messrs. J. and J. Hayes. While in Goulburn he took an active part in all matters pertaining to the progress of the district. He remained there for 10 years, when he again came to Sydney, and in company with his brother, the late Mr. Joseph Wearne, started the milling business of J. and J. Wearne, which is still being carried on at the foot of Goulburn-street. Up to the time of his death Mr. Wearne remained an active member of the firm. Like the other members of his family, the deceased gentleman took an active part in politics, and in 1889 he stood as one of the protectionist candidates for West Sydney, but was defeated, although he polled well. At that time he received severe injuries by the breaking of the scaffold at the hustings at the Sydney Town Hall, from the effects of which he suffered a good deal. The late Mr. Wearne took an active interest in the Wesleyan Church in whatever district he was located. For many years past he, with his family, resided at the Glebe, and was a well-known figure in the local Wesleyan church which his late mother and several other ladies were instrumental in starting. The deceased gentleman for the past four years had not enjoyed the best of health. He was able to be about until some few days ago, when, owing to a slight accident he met with at the mill, he was compelled to take to his bed, and despite the efforts of his medical adviser he gradually grew weaker, and died at 3 a.m. yesterday, at the age of 69. He leaves a widow and eight children, besides several brothers and sisters. For many years the late Mr. Wearne was enrolled as a justice of the peace. The funeral will take place to-day.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

The military authorities have received word from the Imperial Government that the home manufacturers are so full of orders that they cannot at present supply the urgent order sent from this colony for 4000 ·303 rifles, but they guarantee a delivery to commence in December next and to be completed by January, so that the colony should be in possession of them by March, 1901.

Major-General French has made the following appointments:—Mr. R. Cush (late Permanent Staff) to be staff colour-sergeant instructor, third class; Sergeant L. Gale (3rd Regiment) to staff colour-sergeant, third class, on three months' probation; Mr. Wm. Kesley (late sergeant Royal Sussex Regiment) to be staff colour sergeant, third class, on three months' probation; and Colour-sergeant W. M. Read (4th Regiment) to be staff colour-sergeant, third class, on three months' probation.

The following transfers have been arranged:—Staff Colour-sergeant L. J. Shaw will be attached to the N.S.W. Lancers; Staff Colour-sergeant Dransfield will be attached to the 6th (Vol.) Infantry Regiment (Aus. Rifles): Staff Colour-sergeant M'Nair will be attached to the 6th (Vol.) Infantry Regiment (Aus. Rifles); Staff Colour-sergeant Cush will be attached to the 1st Infantry Regiment; Staff Colour-sergeant Gale will be attached to the 2nd Infantry Regiment; Staff Colour-sergeant Kesly will be attached to the 3rd Infantry Regiment; Staff Colour-sergeant Read will be attached to the 4th Infantry Regiment.

ROBERTSON, Thursday.

A whole day's parade of the West Camden Lancers was carried out here yesterday under the command of Captain M'Evilly and Lieutenant Wood. There was a good attendance. The troop marched off as an advanced guard, and put in a good day's work reconnoitring through a supposed enemy's country. The troop returned to town about 6 p.m.

WHARF RESUMPTION.

THE DARLING HARBOUR SCHEME.

THE EFFECT OF THE PROCLAMATION.

FUTURE PROCEDURE.

THE QUESTION OF VALUATION.

SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES.

VARIOUS POINTS INVOLVED.

At a meeting of the Executive Council held yesterday afternoon at Government House it was ordered that a proclamation should issue, notifying that the land comprised within the descriptions set forth has been resumed for public purposes. As will be seen from the accompanying sketch, the resumption includes the whole of the foreshores from the Government property at the head of the harbour, near the works of the Fresh Food and Ice Company to Dawes Point. The shaded portions show the land which is resumed.

The only omission is the plot of land used by the Gas Company. Some criticism has been made concerning the want of judgment on the part of the Government in not at once resuming this place. The official explanation is that the resumption can be made at any later date if thought fit. To have resumed the gasworks might have been to throw upon the hands of the Government an expensive and extensive plant, which would have been of no good to them. It is not thought—by the officials at least—that the omission to include the gas works will be any "blot" upon the undertaking.

The issue of the proclamation means at a once a "change of landlord" in respect of all the private property therein mentioned. Having been resumed, it now belongs to the Government. All contracts and all leases are cancelled, and it will devolve upon those in possession to make terms with the new owner, which is the State. As a matter of fact, however, there will, for some time at any rate, be little or no disturbance. Occupiers will be allowed to remain in possession of their premises according to existing rights until the expiration of 90 days after notice that possession is required by the Government.

What will take place is that officers from the Land Valuation branch will at once see the owners and occupiers within the resumed area and make temporary arrangements with them as to the terms upon which they shall continue their holdings. These officers will probably be Mr. Sievers, Government Valuator, and Mr. Perdriau, of the Lands Department. The latter gentleman is the officer who made all the valuations in that district for the Land Tax Department. The Government, it may be stated, has already been advised by its own officials as to the probable value of most of the land. It will be the duty of the owners to put in a claim. If the claim is anywhere near the value fixed upon by the Governments, everything will soon be settled. It will also be incumbent upon each owner to prove his title to the land he claims as his own. In some instances, we learn, there may be some difficulty on the part of those claiming possession to do this. It may possibly transpire that some reputed owners have no title at all; whilst the titles held by others may prove to be doubtful.

If there is a wide difference between the claims sent in and the value placed upon the land by the Government, it will be necessary for further negotiation to take place. No decision has yet been come to by the Cabinet, but it is very likely that a small board of valuers may be appointed to assist the Government in arriving at decisions regarding the price to be paid for property. The decision of such a board would not be binding, and in many cases it is probable that the dispute may have to be settled in the law courts. It is probable that, as this is a resumption of large magnitude, that a special tribunal will be appointed to deal with the matter. We learn that a suggestion has been made that the Land Appeal Court should have all questions at issue between the owners and the Government referred to it. This, however, is a matter which will have to be dealt with in an Act of Parliament which it will be necessary for the Government to pass to give full effect to the resumption.

It does not seem to be thought in official circles that it will be a very difficult thing for the Government to arrive at a correct decision regarding the value of the property resumed. Whether recourse can be had to the books in the Land and Income Tax Offices appears to be a moot question, but it is understood that the matter is now "under consideration." Of one thing the Government is fully determined—that is, that an exorbitant price shall not be paid for any of the property resumed; and in case of further resumptions which may be necessary for providing roads and approaches to the wharfs it will be arranged that the "present-day values" only shall be paid, so as to preclude owners reaping any advantage from the "improvements" made by the Government.

As to the financing of the scheme, but very little can be learned up to the present. As a matter of fact, no definite decision has been come to. It is, however, believed, from inquiries which have been made, that many of the larger companies interested in the land will willingly accept Government debentures in payment. A certain amount per annum would then be due to them from the Government in respect of interest; whilst they on the other hand would owe the Government a given sum for rent. And it might happen, in some cases at any rate, that the one liability would "square" the other. At the same time the debentures will be redeemable at a certain date, and provision will have to be made to meet the liability. When the Premier first supplied the press with information on the matter he hinted vaguely that the cost would be "something over £2,000,000." From what can be gathered now, the cost will be a good deal over two millions sterling—it will probably be nearer three millions. There is no doubt that eventually a harbour trust will be appointed to manage the whole affair; but this matter is not yet under consideration.

So far as the Government is aware the scheme seems to be unanimously approved of; at all events no protests have been made to Ministers, and it is not thought that any difficulty will be experienced in carrying out the undertaking to a successful issue.

OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION.

THE PROCLAMATION.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND RESUMED.

A supplement to the "New South Wales Government Gazette" was issued last night containing the following proclamation:—Notification of resumption under the Lands for Public Purposes Acquisition Act, 44 Victoria No. 16.

Whereas I, William, Earl Beauchamp, the Governor aforesaid, with the advice of the Executive Council of the said colony, have duly sanctioned the carrying out of a certain work, that is to say, a system of public wharfs and approaches thereto at Darling Harbour and the waters of Port Jackson adjacent thereto in the said colony; and whereas the lands described in the schedule hereto are required for the purpose of the said work: Now, therefore, I, the Governor aforesaid, with the advice of the Executive Council of the said colony, in pursuance of the powers in this behalf given to or vested in me by the Lands for Public Purposes Acquisition Act and otherwise, do, by this notification, to be published in the "Government Gazette" and in one or more papers published in the police district wherein the said lands are situated, declare that the Crown land comprised within the descriptions set forth in the schedule hereto has been appropriated, and the private property within such description has been resumed, for the public purpose aforesaid, to the intent that upon the publication of this notification in the "Government Gazette," the legal estate in the said lands shall forthwith be vested in the Minister for Public Works and his successors, on behalf of her Majesty, for the purpose of the said Act, for an estate of inheritance in fee simple in possession, freed and discharged from all trusts, obligations, estates, interests, contracts, charges, rates, rights-of-way, or other easements whatsoever; and to the further intent that the legal estate therein, together with all powers incident thereto or conferred by the said Act, shall be vested in the said Minister as a trustee, And I declare that the following is the schedule of lands hereinbefore referred to:—

DESCRIPTION—No. 1.

Commencing on the southern shore of Port Jackson, at the point where the western building-line of George-street North meets the waters of Port Jackson; and bounded thence on part of the east by the said building-line bearing southerly to the northern boundary of the property known as Milton-terrace; thence on parts of the south and west by the boundaries of that property, being lines bearing westerly about 100ft., southerly about 50ft., again westerly about 15ft., again southerly about 83ft., again westerly about 5ft., again southerly about 75ft., to a point in the line of the prolongation westerly of the southern side of the said Milton-terrace; thence on part of the south-east by parts of the south-eastern sides of two private roadways, and crossing Parbury-lane, being lines bearing south-westerly in all about 270ft.; thence again on part of the south-east by a line bearing south-westerly about 211ft. to the north-western corner of Short-street; thence again on part of the south-east by the north-western building-line of Short-street, bearing south-westerly about 252ft. to the south-west corner of Short-street; thence on part of the north-east by the south-western building line of that street, bearing south-easterly about 18ft. to the most southerly corner of that street; thence again on part of the south-east by a line bearing south-westerly about 21ft. to the north-east corner of a brick building known as No. 10 of Ferry-lane; thence again on part of the south-east by the south-eastern side of the said brick building, No. 10, bearing south-westerly about 28ft. to the northern building-line of Ferry-lane, thence on part of the south-west by part of the last mentioned building line bearing north-westerly about 173ft. to the eastern building line of Pottinger-street; thence on part of the south by a line at right angles to the building-line of Pottinger-street, bearing westerly about 40ft. to the western building-line of Pottinger-street; thence on part of the east by the said western building-line of Pottinger-street, bearing suddenly about 182ft. to the nothern building-line of Windmill-street; thence again on part of the south by part of the northern building-line of Windmill-street crossing Kent-street North, bearing westerly to the angle in the building-line of Windmill-street, which is about 152ft. westerly from the western building-line of Kent-street North, which angle is one of the corners of the property known as Towns's Wharf; thence on part of the south-east and part of the south-west by two of the boundaries of the last mentioned property, bearing firstly, south-westerly about 20ft. along part of the north-western building-line of Windmill-street, and secondly, north-westerly about 82ft. to the eastern building-line of Moore's-road; thence on part of the south-west by a line bearing north-westerly about 120ft. crossing Moore's-road to a point in line with the prolongation easterly of the southern side of house, No. 25 of Victoria-terrace; the said point is distant about 22ft. from the south-east corner of the said house, No. 25, and is the south-east corner of the stone retaining-wall of the north-eastern side of the said Victoria-terrace; thence on part of the south-west by the said north-eastern side of the said retaining-wall of the said Victoria-terrace, and by the northern side of the retaining-wall on the northern boundary of Moorecliff Ear and Eye Hospital, bearing north-westerly, in all about 520ft. to the northern side of the boundary-wall at the most northern corner of the property known as Spencer Lodge; thence on part of the south-east, part of the north-east, and part of the south by the outer faces of the boundary-walls of the last-mentioned property, being lines bearing south-westerly about 58ft., south-easterly about 24ft., and westerly about 120ft. to the north-western corner of the said Spencer Lodge property; thence on part of the east by the western boundary of the last-mentioned property, bearing southerly, to its south-west corner; thence again on the part of the east by a line bearing southerly about 130ft. to the north-east corner of a large stone store owned by the executors of the late Charles Smith; thence again on part of the east by the eastern side of the said stone store and the western building-line of Bettington-street bearing southerly in all about 310 t. to the south-western angle in the building-line of Bettington-street; thence on part of the north by part of the southern building-line of the said Bettington-street, bearing easterly about 283ft. to the western boundary of Mr. Parle's property; thence on part of the east, part of the south, and again part of the east by three boundaries of Mr. Parle's property, being lines bearing southerly about 32ft., westerly about 15ft., and again southerly about 32ft. to the north-eastern building line of Munn-street; thence again on part of the east by a line in prolongation southerly of the last-mentioned boundary, crossing Munn-street to the south-eastern building-line thereof; thence again on part of the north-west by part of the said south-eastern building-line of Munn-street, bearing north-easterly about 212ft. to the western building-line of Unwin-street; thence again on part of the north-east by a line crossing Unwin-street to the southern building-line of Argyle-street, and by the last-mentioned building-line south-easterly to the south-western building-line of Miller's-road, and by the south-western building-line of Miller's-road bearing south-easterly, crossing Wentworth-street and Clyde-street to the point of intersection of the prolongation south-easterly of the last-mentioned building-line and the prolongation westerly of the southern building-line of Miller's-road; thence on part of the north by the last-mentioned prolongation, being a line bearing easterly about 10ft. to the angle formed by the intersection of the said southern building-line of the said Miller's-road and the eastern building-line of Hart-street; thence again on part of the east by part of the eastern building-line of Hart-street, bearing southerly about 55ft. to a bend therein; thence again on part of the east by the back lines of properties which front Sussex-street (some of which lines are fenced) and the eastern side of the passage which bounds Archibald M'Lean's land towards the east, being lines bearing southerly, in all about 430ft., to the south-west corner of an allotment said to be owned by Robert Smith, solicitor, of Sydney, on the northern boundary of land held by the Municipal Council of Sydney; thence on the remainder of the north by the southern boundary of the last-mentioned allotment, bearing easterly about 100ft. to the western building-line of Kent-street; thence on the remainder of the east by the said western building-line of Kent-street bearing southerly about 442ft. to the south-eastern corner of the property known as T. Paton's; thence on the remainder of the south by the southern boundary of the said T. Paton's property and of the reclamation area of 17 perches pertaining thereto, bearing westerly in all about 360ft. to the south-west corner of the said 17 perches at the waters of Darling Harbour; thence on the west, the south-west, again on the west, the north, the north-east, the north, and the north-west by the said waters of Darling Harbour, and including the whole of all the wharf properties situated on that line of frontage of Port Jackson extending from the Australian Gaslight Company's property at Darling Harbour to the western building-line of George-street North, as well as all the reclamations of land from the harbour made, and all the reclamation rights granted by the Crown, and all the wharfs, jetties, and pile structures erected, and all the special leases and permissive occupancies granted by the Crown which appertain to the various properties resumed, to the point of commencement.

DESCRIPTION—No. 2.

Commencing on the waters of Darling Harbour at the south-west corner of the property of the Australian Gaslight Company, Limited, which is also the south-west corner of a reclaimed area of 2 roods 13 perches; and bounded thence on parts of the north, east, south, and west by the southern boundary of the said 2 roods 13 perches, a northern, an eastern, again a northern, and a western boundary of the Grafton Wharf property, being lines bearing easterly about 270ft.; thence southerly about 50ft.; thence easterly about 130ft. to the south-east corner of Jenkins-street; thence northerly about 20ft. to the north-west corner of the said Grafton Wharf property on the eastern building-line of Jenkins-street; thence on part of the west by the eastern building-line of Jenkins-street, bearing northerly to the southern building-line of Gas-lane; thence on part of the north by the southern building-line of Gas-lane, bearing easterly to the western building-line of Kent-street; thence on part of the east by part of the western building-line of Kent-street bearing southerly to the northern building-line of Margaret-street; thence on part of the south by part of the northern building-line of Margaret-street bearing westerly and crossing Napoleon-street and Sussex-street North to a point on the last mentioned building-line which is in the prolongation northerly of the western building-line of Sussex street; thence on part of the east by the said prolongation and the western building-line of Sussex-street, bearing southerly about 1890ft., and crossing Erskine-street and King-street to the northern building-line of Wharf-lane; thence on part of the south by the last-mentioned building-line and the prolongation thereof westerly about 200ft., crossing Wharf-street to the western building-line of the said Wharf-street; thence again on part of the east by part of the said western building-line of the said Wharf-street and the prolongation thereof, bearing southerly about 197ft. to the southern building-line of Market-street; thence on part of the north by part of the said southern building-line of Market-street, bearing easterly about 60ft. to the south-western building-line of Wharf-street; thence on part of the north-east by the last-mentioned building-line bearing south-easterly about 223ft. to the western building-line of Sussex-street; thence again on part of the east by part of the western building-line of Sussex-street, bearing southerly about 311ft. to the south-eastern corner of the property known as the Federal Wharfs; thence again on part of the south by part of the southern boundary of the Federal Wharfs property, bearing westerly about 163ft. to the north-east corner of the land occupied by the New South Wales Silica Portland Cement Works at the north-west corner of a brick store; thence again on part of the east by the western side of the said brick store, bearing southerly about 60ft. to its south-west corner; thence again on part of the south, part of the east, and again part of the south by part of the southern, part of the eastern, and again part of the southern boundary of the land occupied by the said Silica Portland Cement Works, being lines bearing westerly about 25ft., southerly about 5ft., and again westerly about 217ft.; part of the last-mentioned boundary passes along the northern ends of Fitzwilliam-street and D'Arcy-street to a point on the eastern side of the brick store occupied by the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand, Limited, on the western side of D'Arcy-street; thence again on part of the east by the said western side of D'Arcy-street, being a line bearing southerly about 166ft. to the northern building-line of Druitt-street; thence again on part of the north-east by a line crossing Druitt-street and bearing south-easterly about 51ft. to the north-east corner of the land claimed by T. H. Dearin and occupied by the Pacific Foundry; thence again on part of the east by boundaries of that land, being lines bearing southerly about 108ft. and westerly about 155ft. to the north-east corner of an area of 26 perches of reclaimed land applied for to purchase under the ninth clause of the Crown Lands Act of 1861 by John Henry Seamer; thence again on part of the east by the eastern boundary of the said 26 perches and the western building-line of Washington-street, bearing southerly in all about 160ft. to the northern building-line of Bathurst-street; thence again on part of the east by a line bearing southerly 66ft., crossing Bathurst-street to the angle formed by the southern building-line of Bathurst-street and the western building-line of Barker-street; thence again on part of the east by the western building-line of Barker-street bearing southerly about 400ft. to the angle formed by the said western building-line of Barker-street and the southern building-line of Thomas-street; thence again on part of the north by the said southern building-line of Thomas-street bearing easterly about 300ft. to the western building-line of Duncan-street; thence again on part of the east by the said western building-line of Duncan-street bearing southerly about 97ft. to the angle formed by the last-mentioned building-line and the southern building-line of James-street; thence on the remainder of the north by the said building-line of James-street bearing easterly about 92ft. to the north-east corner of land said to be owned by the Misses Murphy, and occupied by the New South Wales Fresh Food and Ice Company, Limited; thence on the remainder of the east by the eastern boundary of the said Misses Murphy's land bearing southerly about 135ft to the northern building-line of Liverpool-street; thence on the remainder of the south by the said building-line of Liverpool-street and the prolongation thereof westerly, in all about 364ft. to the waters of Darling Harbour; thence on the west by the said waters of Darling Harbour bearing northerly and including the whole of all the wharf properties situated on the eastern line of frontage of Darling Harbour extending from Liverpool-street northerly to the Australian Gaslight Company's property, as well as all the reclamations of land from the harbour made, and all the reclamation rights granted by the Crown, and all the wharfs, jetties, and pile structures erected, and all the special leases and permissive occupancies granted by the Crown which appertain to the various properties resumed, to the point of commencement.

DESCRIPTION NO. 3.

Commencing at the north-west corner of the land described in the certificate of title to Robert Chadwick registered in volume 186, folio 230, at the Land Titles Office, Sydney; and bounded thence on part of the north by the prolongation westerly of the southern building-line of Liverpool-street bearing easterly about 28ft. to the termination of Liverpool-street, on the waters of Darling Harbour; thence on part of the west by the said waters bearing northerly to the prolongation westerly of the northern building-line of Liverpool-street; thence again on part of the north by the lastmentioned prolongation and part of the northern building-line of Liverpool-street bearing easterly about 55ft. to a point thereon distant 442ft. from the eastern building-line of Harbour-place; thence on the east by a line crossing Liverpool-street, and bearing south about 340ft. to the fence separating the property of the Railway Commissioners from the land occupied by the New South Wales Fresh Food and Ice Company, Limited; thence on part of the south-west by that fence bearing north-westerly about 120ft. to the waters of Darling Harbour; and thence by those waters, and including the whole of all the wharf properties situated on that part of the eastern line of frontage of Darling Harbour extending from the said property of the Railway Commissioners to the prolongation westerly of the northern building-line of Liverpool-street, as well as all reclamations of land from the harbour made and all the reclamation rights granted by the Crown, and all the wharfs, jetties, and pile structures erected, and all the special leases and permissive occupancies granted by the Crown which appertain to the various properties resumed, to the point of commencement.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the colony to be hereto affixed at Government House, Sydney, this third day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred, and in the sixty-third year of her Majesty's reign.

By his Excellency's command.
B. R. WISE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

NOTE.

With reference to the foregoing proclamation, it is hereby notified that the occupants and owners in occupation of land and premises within the said resumed area may remain in possession of such land or premises, according to their respective rights, until the expiration of 90 days after notice that possession of the premises will be required for the purposes of this proclamation.

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

SEND-OFF TO MR. R. A. RITCHIE.

On Wednesday evening there was a representative gathering at the School of Arts, Granville, when Mr. R. F. Ritchie, of the firm of Messrs. Ritchie Brothers, Auburn (who is about to leave on a business tour to England and America), was tendered a very hearty send-off. The Mayor, Mr. John Mahoney, J.P., presided, and proposed the toast of "Our Guest" in flattering terms. Mr. John Nobbs, M.L.A., who responded to the toast of "The Parliament," also referred to the worth of Mr. Ritchie as a citizen. In addition to the send-off accorded to Mr. Ritchie by the citizens, that gentleman was also the recipient of a handsome gold chain and medallion, suitably inscribed, from the employees of the firm of Messrs. Ritchie Brothers.

FAREWELL TO THE REV. J. C. MARTIN.

On Wednesday evening the Baptist Church was crowded, the occasion being a farewell to the Rev. J. C. Martin, who, after presiding over the Parramatta church for three years, has decided to accept the pastorate of the Napier Baptist Church. The Rev. William Coller presided, and on the platform also were the Revs. E. Price (Baptist), J. Paterson (Presbyterian), and R. F. Becher (Congregational), and Mr. J. Arundel (who represented the Parramatta Literary and Debating Union, of which body Mr. Martin had just resigned the presidency). During the evening addresses were delivered by the gentlemen named, all regretting Mr. Martin's departure, but wishing him God-speed; and on behalf of the church Mr. Martin was the recipient of a valuable portmanteau and an umbrella. Addresses were also read by Mr. A. Fraser (deacon), Mrs. Baker (Deaconesses' and Prayer Union), Miss Whiteford (C.E. Society), Mr. Wales (Band of Hope and Cricket Club), and Mr. J. Arundel (Literary and Debating Society). Mr. Martin feelingly replied, and wished the church every possible success and prosperity. A musical programme was rendered, and refreshments were handed round by the ladies.

ERMINGTON AND RYDALMERE COUNCIL.

This council met on Wednesday evening, Alderman Swane presiding. The committee appointed to report as to the alleged damage to Mr. Bartel's property by flood waters reported that they did not consider the council responsible, and could not recommend the payment of any compensation. The Austral Meat Company wrote recommending the council to defer the proposal re a punt for crossing the river till the arrival of the company's managing director, who was expected at an early date. The question as to when the first section of the Rosehill-Dural railway would be opened for traffic was discussed, and the chairman stated that he had been informed on good authority that the date of opening had been fixed for a date not far distant, though he was pledged to secrecy as to the actual day.

PYRMONT BRIDGE AND DARLING HARBOUR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—No scheme for the above will be complete unless there be unrestricted passage in Darling Harbour for vessels, and in that view I again urge that the Pyrmont Bridge should be swept away and not reconstructed, and as but little has yet been done towards the erection of the structure, the contracts for building the bridge could be cancelled without a very large outlay.

Then I again repeat my proposal that from the north side of Bathurst-street the southern water portion should be reclaimed and a wall erected from Bathurst-street right across to Pyrmont of 25-ton blocks of concrete, and the back filled in, so giving the railway some six acres of land urgently needed by them at this locality. Then make the present railway station a purely passenger station, shifting from it to the reclaimed ground as above the goods and parcels traffic, and making a branch line from Eveleigh for the accommodation of this traffic, under Parramatta-street, to this reclaimed land.

I am, &c.,
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May 2.

COUNTRY NEWS.

WESTERN DIVISION LEASES.

HILLSTON, Thursday.

A well-attended meeting of landholders was held yesterday, representing over 3,000,000 acres of land in the Western Division. The following resolutions were passed:—1. "That this meeting requests the Government to take into consideration the deplorable condition of the pastoral industry in the Western Division, with a view to readjust under present circumstances the terms under which pastoral leases are held. As a means to this end this meeting urges the Government to appoint as early as possible a Royal Commission to ascertain the exact position of affairs." The following delegates were appointed a deputation to wait on the Minister in June: Messrs. A. L. P. Cameron, R. C. Moore, C. Wall. A second motion affirming the principle of excision of stock routes from lease was carried.

FIRE AT WALLERAWANG.

A PUBLIC HALL AND STORES DESTROYED.

WALLERAWANG, Thursday.

About 3 a.m. to-day a fire was discovered in a building lately occupied as a branch store by Messrs. Beveridge and Co., Lithgow. These premises, the Carrington Hall, and two small shops occupied by Johnson, fruiterer, and Blackett, saddler, were totally destroyed. The property was owned by the executors of the late James Hill, and was partly insured. Through the efforts of residents the adjoining premises and some of the contents of the places destroyed were saved. The contents of the hall were destroyed.

BULLI, Thursday.

T. Smidt, a miner employed at the Woonona Colliery, while at work yesterday sustained a badly fractured leg through a fall of stone from the roof. Subsequently an amputation was performed.

Corrimal miners are endeavouring to secure a resident medical officer.

St. Augustine's Young Men's Institute has been inaugurated with successful results. A piano valued at £42 was presented to the institute by friends in sympathy with the movement.

BELLINGEN, Thursday.

At the land office to-day Robert John Brownlee applied for a conditional purchase of 50 acres in the parish of Never Never.

BOMBALA, Thursday.

Mr. Mason, a gentleman sent by the Victorian Government, has arrived from Melbourne to take views of Bombala and the Monaro district generally. He travelled via Mallacoota, and expressed himself delighted with the scenery and the country. Mr. Mason has several photographers with him. The party purpose visiting Cooma and district.

BOWRAL, Thursday.

Miss Thompson, late matron at the Berrima District Cottage Hospital, has been presented with a handsome illuminated address by the committee on the occasion of her resignation from the position. The presentation was made by Mr. Gavin George (vice-president (on behalf of the committee.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

A large number of representative business men tendered a valedictory social at the Centennial Hotel last night to Mr. B. I. Joyner, for six years local representative of Messrs. D. and J. Fowler. Numerous friends testified to Mr. Joyner's straightforwardness, business tact, and worth as a citizen, and he was presented with a cabinet of cutlery and silver, also a silver medal by the Pastoral and Agricultural Association.

DUBBO, Thursday.

Sergeant S. Butler has been transferred to Orange. He was entertained yesterday, the Mayor presiding. A gold watch, also a gold brooch for Mrs. Butler, will be forwarded to the Mayor of Orange for presentation on behalf of Dubbo citizens.

Over 1700 entries have been received for the show next week.

The Public Works Committee inquiry re the Werris Creek Railway was continued here to-day.

At the lands office to-day Thomas Pack applied for a conditional purchase of 72 acres 1 rood, in the county of Lincoln, parish of Genria.

The race booth for the Turf Club's meeting was sold to-day for £6 and the entrance gates for £15.

The municipal valuers' annual report shows an increase of £2163 13s 8d in the rateable property this year as compared with last.

The members of the Dubbo Bicycle Club presented to Mr. Joseph Ritter on Wednesday evening a gold medal in recognition of his services as secretary of the club.

The fourth of the series of lantern services, the subject being "The Pilgrim's Progress," was held in the Wesleyan Church on Wednesday evening. It was conducted by the Rev. W. Stewart.

On Wednesday 11 first-class and 51 second-class and this morning one first-class and 82 second-class passengers left Dubbo in order to visit the Wellington show.

EAST MAITLAND, Thursday.

The Borough Council of East Maitland has applied to the Government to permit the resumption of 38 acres of land at Two Mile Creek. The land is required for a general garbage depot.

LISMORE, Thursday.

The funeral of the railway guard, C. Sayers, took place to-day, and was numerously attended. Deceased was a member of the Oddfellows Lodge, and the brethren marched in procession.

Slight showers of rain fell last night and to-day, but were not heavy enough to prove of service.

MOAMA, Thursday.

The Moama chrysanthemum show was opened last night. There was a splendid exhibition of flowers and a large attendance. Mr. C. L. Blair acted successfully as secretary.

MOLONG, Thursday.

With reference to the petition signed by residents of Canowindra protesting against the proposed weirs at Belubula River, Dr. Ross, M.L.A., has been informed that several owners of frontages to the river have changed their views since the date of the petition. Under these circumstances the Minister has ordered the matter to stand over, pending further action by the landholders concerned.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

A bicycle collision occurred to-day to a lad named Rogerson whilst returning from the races, by which he had one of his legs fractured.

The annual Bligh ball was held last night, and proved a brilliant gathering. About 150 people were present.

NARRABRI, Thursday.

Mrs. Manon West, 73, relict of the late Christopher West, died yesterday. Deceased held the license for West's Family Hotel for upwards of 22 years. She leaves a grown up family of five daughters.

The Mercadool bore is down a depth of 800ft. No water has been struck yet.

Mr. J. C. Smith was tendered a banquet and social, and received presentations yesterday prior to leaving for Mudgee.

SINGLETON, Thursday.

Hermann Sattler, of Green Hollow, Bridgman, was fined £30 at the police court yesterday for selling colonial wine without a license. He was allowed three months to pay the amount.

The Minister for Works has accepted an invitation from Mr. Dight, M.L.A., to visit Singleton at an early date.

WINGHAM, Thursday.

The Upper Manning Exhibition was opened to-day by Mr. J. H. Young, M.L.A. Many visitors were present from the other districts. The weather was beautiful, and there was a large attendance. The entries numbered 2000.

WENTWORTH, Thursday.

The steamers Lancashire Lass, with about 600 bales of Momba wool, Mundoo with 300 bales various brands, and Pilot with 700 bales various brands, have arrived from Darling River towns, and leave this morning for South Australia. The Pride of the Murray arrived from Echuca, and the Eva Millicent and City of Oxford from down the river.

The first case under the Early Closing Act was heard before Mr. C. A. Thomas, P.M., to-day—Loy Kay being fined 5s and costs.

The Paika, barge, which was burnt with the steamer Emily Jane last Christmas, has been floated and brought here. All that was left of the barge were the iron ribs. A few inches of the hull is above water. The remains of the steamer were broken up owing to the hopeless task of repair. Messrs. W. Bowring and Co. removed the wreck in order to allow vessels to get down the river by the first water.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

Sub-inspector Fowler, of the West Maitland Police Station, has been granted leave of absence, and leaves within a few weeks for England. Sub-inspector Sykes, of Wollongong, succeeds Mr. Fowler in charge of West Maitland.

ACCIDENT AT THE COBAR GOLD MINE.

TWO MINERS INJURED.

COBAR, Thursday.

Two men named Fred Critcher and William Rowe, engaged at the Cobar gold mine, met with a serious accident at 11 a.m. to-day while working in a stope at the back of the 116ft. level. Critcher was charging a hole just made with a machine drill, and Rowe was handing him the cartridge of rackarock. Twelve cartridges had been inserted, and when putting in another an explosion took place. Critcher received the full force of it, and was knocked down and seriously injured. Rowe was also injured on the side, but was able to walk home with assistance. Critcher was taken to the Cobar Hospital. The managers, Messrs. Fox and Buckland, and Mr. Godfrey (inspector of mines) visited the scene of the accident, and Mr. Godfrey made a report on the matter. This afternoon Dr. Robinson performed an operation on Critcher, Dr. Lawes administering the anaesthetic, and one of his arms was amputated. It was found that one eye was destroyed, and the other seriously injured. The upper part of the body was covered with bruises and contusions. It is extremely doubtful if the patient will recover.

HEALTHY CHILDREN.

Happy is the mother who has healthy children! Health gives happiness, and happy are the children who are healthy! They eat, drink, and sleep well! They have no bowel or stomach troubles to make them peevish and fretful by day, or cross and restless at night! There is an atmosphere of blissful peace in the household! Sunshine fills the home, and joy fills the heart! Happy mother! Happy child! Happy home! where the roses of health are blooming! If you want your children to be healthy and happy [and where is the mother who does not desire this?] keep their insides free from indigestible matter. Give them plain, digestible, nourishing food, such as ARNOTT'S MILK ARROWROOT BISCUITS, which make the sweetest, nicest, and most nourishing food possible for young folks. They fortify the system against disease, they satisfy and strengthen, and they make the little ones happy and restful! Thousands of mothers have proved this to be the case. Upwards of ONE THOUSAND TESTIMONIALS have been sent to Mr. Arnott at Newcastle from grateful mothers, accompanied by the photos. of their children, who have benefited by the use of these biscuits. Upwards of Four Hundred of these portraits have been published (accompanied by the names and addresses of the parents) in the newspapers of this colony, and not a day passes without fresh photos. and testimonials being received. These are actual proofs of the value of ARNOTT'S MILK ARROWROOT BISCUITS as a health-giving food for children. One thing is necessary when buying, and that is—to plainly ask for "ARNOTT'S," and to see that his name is on the biscuits which you receive. If you are deceived by tradesmen giving you inferior biscuits branded MILK ARROWROOT, do not blame ARNOTT if you find that your children do not thrive on them. Healthy will be your children, peaceful by day and restful by night, if you give them ARNOTT'S MILK ARROWROOT BISCUITS. Try them and prove them. Then domestic felicity will be at its zenith!

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—May 3.

Alliage, s., 2249 tons, Captain C. C. Mackenzie, from Queensland ports May 1. Passengers—Rev. A. G. Smith, Messrs. O. Henessan, J. Guppy, C. Patterson, C. Miller, Bummell, T. E. Clayton, E. O. Mitchell, Holloway, F. E. Trennery, E. L. Wilson, J. G. Baker, Redshaw, T. H. Procter, B. Morgan, Walden, Pratten, J. R. Fathorne, A. E. Donovan, D. Donovan, E. W. Simpson, G. L. Lewis, Mesdames Clayton, Holloway, Summitt, Misses Bruce, Halbert, Manning, Robertson, A. Krogel, and 29 steerage. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Kallatina, s., 598 tons, Captain John Magee, from Clarence River. Passengers—Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. Fitzsimmons, Mrs. Inter, Mrs. Morgan and family, Miss Fraser, Miss Turner, Miss M'Donald, Miss Dale, Miss Southey, Miss Little, Rev. A. P. Cameron, Rev. Scott Neil, Dr. O'Hara, Dr. De Clairvaux, Messrs. C. H. Fraser, W. J. Strines, D. Orr, A. J. Hamer, C. J. Roberts, A. L. Nixon, W. Davies, J. M. Lee, L. A. Lowe, T. A. Burke, P. J. Harvey, M. Finch, and 11 in the steerage. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Warrego, s., 1365 tons, Captain George King, from Melbourne. Passengers—Mesdames Lawrence, C. A. Clark, Miss Labor, Messrs. Julian, Small, Lawrence, Rae, Martin, Cribb, Swain, Simmons, Smith, and 21 in the second saloon; through passengers for North: Mrs. Archer, Mr. O'Hare, and 6 in the second cabin. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Bega, s., 567 tons, Captain S. Bishop, from Eden. Passengers—Mesdames Clarke, Hungerford, Alexander, Miss Elliott, Rev. Mears, Messrs. Oughey, Dummet, Hungerford, Kerr, Sheepcakes, Noonan, Ray, Masters Napthali, Christiansen, and 3 in the steerage. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Waikare, s., 3050 tons, Captain H. J. Richardson, from Newcastle. David Mills, agent.

Wakatipu, s., 1145 tons, Captain H. G. Morrisby, from Newcastle. David Mills, agent.

Namoi, s., 1114 tons, Captain Skinner, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, agents.

Eurimbla, s., 598 tons, Captain Johnston, from Brisbane. Passengers—Miss M'Donald, Mr. Harris, and 9 in the steerage. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Flintshire, ship, 1226 tons, Captain Jones, from Sharpness January 31. Dalton Brothers, agents.

Illawarra, s., 522 tons, Captain Garde, from South Coast. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Coomonderry, s., 146 tons, Captain Canty, from South Coast. J. Aubin, agent.

DEPARTURES.—May 3.

Futami Maru, s., for Manila, Hongkong, and Japan, via ports.
Nineveh, s., for Newcastle.
Port Denison, s., for Newcastle.
Dovedale, s., for Port Pirie, via Newcastle.
Golden Fleece, barque, for Mauritius, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—May 4.

Warrego, s., for Cairns, via ports; Waikare, s., for Wellington, Lyttelton, Dunedin, and Bluff; Electra, s., for Richmond River; Coomonderry, s., for Moruya and Wagonga; Illawarra S. N. Company's steamers, for Wollongong, Kiama, Shoalhaven, Clyde River, Nelligen, Bateman's Bay, and Ulladulla; Newcastle, s., for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—May 3.

Futami Maru, s., 3840 tons, Captain J. Thom, for Manila, Hongkong, and Japan, via ports, with passengers as published yesterday.
Port Denison, s., 3135 tons, Captain W. Johnson, for Newcastle.
Dovedale, s., 2821 tons, Captain T. Darley, for Port Pirie, via Newcastle, in ballast.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—May 3.

Phil Forbes, ketch, Captain A. Anderson, for Lake Macquarie; South Australian, s., Captain T. Hunter, for Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—May 3.

(A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.)

Bega, s., from Eden: 523 cases butter, 8 cases eggs, 401 bags bark, 32 bags maizena, 2 bags crayfish, 2 bundles skin, 5 cases game, 35 pigs, 28 calves, 1 horse, 174 cheeses, 6 cans cream, 100 bags ore, 3 bags bacon, 2 casks tallow, 28 hides, 6 coops poultry, 1 case fish, and sundries.

Dovedale, s., from Adelaide: 2915 sacks salt, 830 bags flour, 13 packages furniture, 6 cases dried fruit, 3 bales skins, 2 bundles shares, 3 seedsowers, 25 bags wheat, 3 strippers and pole, and sundries.

Kallatina, s., from Clarence River: 2607 bags maize, ? bags pumpkins, 12? cases meat, 91 cases eggs, 35 cases fruit, 15 cases fish, 3 cases honey, 35 hides, 18 casks tallow, ? bundles skins, 224 boxes butter, 11 cans cream, 10 coops poultry, 1 horse, 83 pigs, and sundries.

Allinga, s., from Queensland ports: 5843 bunches bananas, 43 bales sheepskins, 23 bags horns, 1 box gold (6?? oz.), 42 sacks 421 hides, 173 cases fruits, 92 cases oranges, 14 cases samples, 21 bales gluepieces, 224 packages sundries, 54 coils rope, 30 cases arrowroot, 37 bales wool.

EXPORTS.—May 3.

Futami Maru, s., for Manila, Hongkong, and Japan, via ports: 411 bars and 3? tons lead, 119 sacks fungus, 10?4 crates and 106 cases potatoes, 2175 crates and 22 cases onions, 6 boxes gold (£5575), 300 tons and 40 bags coke, 405 bags bonedust, 290 bags bones, 321 tons manure, 128 bales flax, 125 cases meats, 117 bags flour, 19 boxes butter, 8 carcases mutton, 8 packages copper, 196 cases fruit, 11 bundles iron, 1 bale skins, 10 cases ammonia, 38 packages leather, 570 bags wheat, and sundries.

Custom-house.—Entered outwards: May 3, Warrego, s., 1552 tons, Captain G. King, for Cairns, via ports; Bulimba, s., 604 tons, Captain Forrester, for Melbourne, via Port Kembla.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: May 3, Arawatta, s., from Sydney; Barcoo, s., from Townsville; Herbert, s., from Bundaberg; Changsha, s., from Sydney. Departures: May 3, Ken..., for Sydney; Changsha, s., for Hongkong. Tyrian was delayed last night and left for Sydney to-day.

GLADSTONE.—Arrival: May 3, Premier, s., from Rockhampton.

MARYBOROUGH.—Arrival: May 3, Queensland, s., from Rockhampton. Departures: May 2, Julia Percy, s., for Rockhampton. May 3, Mayflower, for Townsville.

ROCKHAMPTON.—Departure: May 3, Burwah, s., for Sydney.

FLATTOP ISLAND.—Arrival: May 3, Peregrine, s., from Sydney.

TOWNSVILLE.—Departure: May 3, Cintra, s., for Cairns.

YAMBA.—Arrival: May 3, City of Grafton, s. The Macleay, s., passed south. 16ft. of water on bar at high tide.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: May 3, Lucknow, barque, from Fremantle; Empire, barque from Adelaide; Narcissus, ship, from Rockhampton; Newcastle, s., Lubra, s., Wallsend, s., Time, s., Koonya, s., Tamar, s., Nineveh, s., Golden Fleece, barque, Vision, Prospero, brigs, Lochlee, Vailele, Hannah Nicholson, schooners, from Sydney. Departures: May 3, Norkoowa, s., for Melbourne, with 2200 tons coal; Hilda, schooner, for Cape Hawke; Waikare, s., for Wellington, via Sydney, with 840 tons coal, 20,000ft. timber; Moorabool, s., for Adelaide, with 4070 tons coal, 350 tons coke; Koonya, s., for Devonport, via Bulli, with 450 tons coal, 118 tons rails; May Byrnes, Isabella, schooners, Tamar, s., Wallsend, s., Lubra, s., Newcastle, s., for Sydney.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: May 3, Ouraka, s., at 7.50 a.m., Innamincka, s., at 8.5 a.m., Federal, s., at 5.15 p.m., all west; Melbourne, s., at 1.10 p.m., Tambo, s., at 3.15 p.m., both north; Oonah, s., at 1.50 p.m., south. The yawl Lightning arrived from Eden during the night and sailed again for Mallacoota at 7.20 a.m.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: Omba, s., from Newcastle; Richmond, s., from Table Bay; Toloa, s., from New York; Penguin, s., from Devonport; Wollowra, s., from Adelaide. Departures: Rome, R.M.S., Anna Camen, ..., and Helene, barque, for Sydney; Elingamite, s., for Sydney.

GEELONG.—Departure: May 3, Coolgardie, s., for Western Australia, via Adelaide.

QUEENSCLIFF LOOKOUT.—The R.M.S. Rome cleared the Heads for Sydney at 6.10 p.m.

ALBANY.—Departures: May 2, Suffolk, s., for Durban; Kirkhill, s., for Newcastle.

FREMANTLE.—Arrivals: May 2, Perth, s., from Geraldton. May 3, Gabo, s., from Adelaide. Departures: May 2, Itzehoe, s., and Rockton, s., for Adelaide. May 3, Kolya, s., for Adelaide.

[FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.]

TWEED HEADS.—Arrival: May 3, Augusta, s., at 8.30 a.m., from Sydney. Crossed in at 11.20 a.m.

RICHMOND HEADS.—Departure: May 3, Macleay, s., at 11.45 a.m., for Sydney. 12ft. on bar and 11ft. on inside channel at high water. Passed: Konoowarra, s., at 10.20 a.m., north.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrival: May 3, City of Grafton, s., at 7.55 a.m., from Sydney. Passed: Macleay at 3.35 p.m., south. 16ft. on bar at high water.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Arrivals: May 3, Woolumbin, s., at 6 a.m., from Tweed River; Excelsior, s., at 1 p.m., from Sydney. Departure: Excelsior at 2 p.m., for Byron Bay.

SMOKY CAPE.—Passed: May 3, Barrabool, s., at 11.15 a.m., south; Wyoming, s., at 11.30 a.m., north.

TACKING POINT.—Passed: May 3, St. George, s., at 3.45 p.m., north.

CAMDEN HAVEN.—Departure: May 3, Amy Moir, ketch, at noon, for Sydney.

CROWDY HEAD.—Passed: May 3, St. George at 1 p.m., north; Barrabool at 3.30 p.m., south.

CAPE HAWKE.—Departure: May 2, Kingsley, s., at 10.30 p.m.

PORT STEPHENS.—May 3, Joker, ketch, at anchor in Nelson's Bay; Wanderer, ketch, at anchor in bay; Korunah, Laura, Lena and Lilian to bay at 5 p.m. Departures: Lena and Lilian, ketch, at 8.30 a.m. Passed: Rosalie, schooner, at 6.40 a.m., north; Cooloon, schooner, at 6.40 a.m., north.

CATHERINE HILL BAY.—Departure: May 3, Illaroo, s., at 10.30 a.m.; Sophia Ann at 11.5 p.m., for Sydney.

BARRANJOEY.—Arrival: May 3, Vision, s., at 9.45 a.m. Departure: Narara, at 7.50 p.m., for Sydney.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrival: May 3, Coomonderry, at 3.10 p.m., from Shoalhaven. Departure: Coomonderry, at 4.40 p.m., for Sydney.

PORT KEMBLA.—Departures: May 2, Kitawa, s., at midnight, for Devonport; Easby at 3 p.m., for Melbourne.

KIAMA.—Arrival: May 3, Resolute at 4.30 p.m., from Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Arrivals: May 3, Marion, ketch, at 10 a.m., from Jervis Bay; Coomonderry, s., at noon, from Sydney. Departure: May 3, Illawarra, s., at 8 a.m., for Sydney.

JERVIS BAY.—Passed: May 3, a ship in deep trim at 8.40 a.m., north; Kitawa, s., at 7.30 a.m., south; a barque in offing, bound north, at 11.45 a.m.; a barque in light trim at 2.45 p.m., north; ship at 5 p.m., light, north; ship in offing at 5.30 p.m., north.

ULLADULLA.—Departure: May 3, Peterborough at 4.30 p.m., for Sydney.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Departure: May 3, Peterborough, s., at 10.50 a.m., for Sydney.

BERMAGUI.—Arrival: May 3, Allowrie, s., at noon, from Sydney. Departure: May 3, Allowrie, s., at 1 p.m., for Tathra.

TOMAKIN.—Departure: May 3, Ruby at 12.30 p.m., for Sydney.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: May 3, a ship at 10.40 a.m., north; Melbourne, s., at 3.5 p.m., north; Tambo at 5.10 p.m., north.

GABO ISLAND.—Departures: May 3, Lightning, yawl, at 7.30 a.m., for Mallacoota. Passed: Hi Yei, Japanese warship, at 6.10 a.m., west; Ouraka, s., at 7.50 a.m., west; Innamincka, s., at 8.5 a.m., west; Oonah, s., at 1.50 p.m., south; Tambo, s., at 3.15 p.m., north; Federal at 5.15 p.m., west; in sight at sunset, steamer like Leura, bound north.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed inward: May 3, a steamer at 6.50 p.m. Passed outwards: May 3, Ethel B. T., ketch, at 3.10 p.m. Elingamite at 4.47 p.m.

GEELONG.—Departure: May 3, Elingamite at 6 a.m., for Sydney.

STRAHAN (TAS.).—Departure: May 3, Sea Bird, s., at 7.30 a.m., for Melbourne.

DEVONPORT (TAS.).—Arrival: May 3, Glaucus, s., at 6.40 a.m., from Melbourne.

SEMAPHORE.—Arrival: May 3, R.M.S. Cuzco, at 8.45 a.m., from Melbourne. Departure: Cuzco, at 2.15 p.m., for London.

PORT PIRIE (S.A.).—Arrivals: May 2, Andania, s., and Bavaria, s., from Newcastle.

WALLAROO (S.A.).—Departure: May 2, Galgorm, barque, for Newcastle.

ALBANY (W.A.).—Departure: May 2, Kirkhill, s., at 7.30 p.m., for Newcastle.

FREMANTLE (W.A.).—Arrivals: May 2, Perth, s., from Geraldton. May 3, Gabo, s., from East, via Albany. Departures: May 2, Rockton, s., for Adelaide. May 3, Kolya, s., for Adelaide, via Albany.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

Arrival: Alexa, barque, at Bluff, from Durban.
Departure: Brisbane, s., from Kaipara, for Melbourne.

(For Continuation of Shipping see Page 6.)

The Siege of Mafeking. A picture by A. Collingridge in this week's "Mail."—Advt.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

Observatory, Thursday.

Average annual rainfall for 41 years, 49·680.
Average for 42 years, January 1 to April 30, 19·509.
Rainfall from January 1 to May 3, 14·761.

STATE OF BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Eucla, 30·29; Streaky Bay, 30·30; Adelaide, 30·44; Robe, 30·45; Portland, 30·42; Melbourne, 30·42; Wilson's Promontory, 30·40; Gabo Island, 30·28; Cape St. George, 30·32; Sydney, 30·34; Newcastle, 30·34; Port Macquarie, 30·28; Clarence Heads, 30·26; Brisbane, 30·21; Rockhampton, 30·17; Mackay, 30·10; Cooktown, 29·99.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Generally fine and clear.
New Caledonia.—Fine but cloudy at Noumea; overcast at Gomen.
Western Australia.—Cloudy on the south coast.
South Australia.—Generally fine and clear; scattered clouds along the coast.
Victoria and Straits.—Showery on the coast; fine and clear inland.
Tasmania.—Cloudy and showery in the south, fine in the north.
Queensland.—Cloudy to showery along the coast; fine and clear inland.
Northern Australia.—Fine and clear throughout.
New Zealand.—Fine and clear in the north and central districts; showery in the south.

RAINFALL IN 24 HOURS PRECEDING 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Gabo Island 17 points, Moree 36, Newcastle 1, Tarala 1.
Victoria.—Very light in the south.
Queensland.—Brisbane 3 points, Cape Capricorn 50, Cape Moreton 15, Cardwell 17, Cooktown 18, Gladstone 21, Mackay 30, Rockhampton 10, Surat 1, Tambo 24, Toowoomba 59.

RIVER REPORTS AT 9 A.M.

Albury, 3ft. 3in.; Balranald, 9ft. 4in., rising; Bingara, 1ft.; Bogabilla, low; Booligal, 7ft. 4in., falling; Bourke, 10ft. 1in. above and 9ft. 3in. below weir; Brewarrina, 4ft. 10in., falling; Deniliquin, 5ft.; Dubbo, 6ft. 6in.; Euabalong, 3ft. 11in., falling; Euston, 10ft. 8in.; Goodooga, 1ft. 8in., falling; Gundagai, 4ft.; Hay, 5ft.; Hillston, 7ft., falling; Louth, 10ft. 8in., falling; Manilla, low; Menindie, 4ft. 6in.; Mogil Mogil, low; Moulamein, 4ft. 10in.; Mungindi, 5ft. 11in., falling; Pooncarie, 5ft. 1in.; Tilpa, 10ft. 4in., rising; Tocumwal, 5ft. 2in.; Wagga Wagga, 4ft. 10in.; Wentworth, 4ft. 8in.; Wilcannia, 8ft. 8in., rising; Yetman, low; Barwon River at Walgett, 7ft., falling; Namoi River at Walgett, 8ft., falling; Goondiwindi, low.

WEATHER REPORTS.

At 9 a.m. it was showery at Moree and on the Victorian coast.

Tweed Heads, light S., raining, sea heavy; Gabo Island, strong S., sea moderate; Newcastle, strong S., sea smooth; South Head, fresh S., sea moderate.

STATION REPORTS.

Messrs. Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co. have received the following advices:—Adavale, Parame, April 30.—"The weather for the month has been all that could be desired; 5? points to-day and 54 last Tuesday; total for April 256 points." The Cowals, Cobar, April 29.—"The weather is cloudy and unsettled." Drungalear, Warren, April 29.—"A nice fall of rain fell last night (40 points), and still misty to-day." Blairmore, Boggabri, April 30.—"A nice fall of good soaking rain (42 points) has just been registered." Yambacoona, Brewarrina, April 30.—"25 points fell on Saturday night and early this morning. This will be of great assistance to the ewes and lambs." Glenthorpe, Moree, April 30.—"41 points of rain were registered on April 10, and 10 points on 28th."

COASTAL REPORTS AT 6 P.M.

Tweed Heads, S., light, showery, sea moderate; Byron Bay, calm, dull, sea moderate; Ballina, E., showery, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, N.W., light, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, calm, cloudy, sea smooth; Macleay Heads, N.N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Port Macquarie, S., light, heavy rain, thunderstorm, sea moderate; Manning Heads, S., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Seal Rocks, S., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Port Stephens, S., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Newcastle, S.S.E., fresh, fine, sea slight; Lake Macquarie Heads, S., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Catherine Hill Bay, S., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Barranjoey, S.S.E., strong, cloudy, sea moderate; South Head, S., fresh, fine, sea slight; Wollongong, S., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Kiama, calm, fine, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, S., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, S.E., strong, cloudy, sea moderate; Ulladulla, S., fine, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, calm, fine, sea smooth; Moruya, S., moderate, fine, sea smooth; Eden, S., light, fine, sea smooth; Green Cape, S.W., fresh, cloudy, misty, sea moderate; Gabo Island, S.S.W., fresh, cloudy, fine, sea moderate.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Cloudy and showery on the coast (chiefly northern), fine inland, S.W. to S.E. winds.—H. C. Russell.

South Australia.—Cold night and fine weather with E. to N.E. winds, but somewhat unsettled on our far west coast; smooth sea. Rain is falling generally in Western Australia, and should reach here in a day or two.—C. Todd.

Victoria.—Fine except for a few misty showers along the coast; frost or fog in parts inland; light S. winds or calms; sea moderate to slight.—P. Baracchi.

Western Australia.—Still unsettled and showery throughout. W. E. Cooke.

FORECASTS BY MR. WRAGGE.

New South Wales.—Except some rain over the northern rivers and coastal and highland showers chiefly in S., generally fine, with scattered clouds. South-westerlies along the seaboard; light variables elsewhere. Sea moderate.

Western Australia.—More rain over the tropical districts. Generally fair but cloudy elsewhere; but the new Antarctic disturbance "Statir" will soon cause rain and unsettled condition under north-easterly, shifting to westerly in southern parts, and especially near the coast.

Northern Territory.—Mostly fine, with scattered clouds. South-easters, shifting to E.N.E.

South Australia.—Generally fair, but cloudy in coast districts; occasional showers. Winds light and rather variable, but soon shifting northerly under advance of "Statir." Sea moderate.

Queensland.—Cloudy and unsettled, with intermittent rain over the ocean slope generally and in S.E. partially extending W. from coast ranges, but generally fair to cloudy in all central parts. Mostly fine in far west. Winds between S. and E.N.E. Sea moderate.

Victoria and Tasmania.—Fine, with tendency to frost in inland parts of both colonies; but showery with occasional southerly squalls around the coast. Sea moderate.

New Zealand.—Fine in N. and centre, showery and squally from westward in S.

New Caledonia.—Cloudy with occasional showers. South-easterlies to easterlies.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR MAY 4.

Sun rises at 6.41, sets at 5.13; Moon, 11.17 a.m., 9.28 p.m.; Mercury, 4.35 a.m., 4.14 p.m.; Venus, 10.18 a.m., 7.40 p.m.; Mars, 4.41 a.m., 4.8 p.m.; Jupiter, 8.32 p.m., 8.43 a.m.; Saturn, 8.20 p.m., 10.38 a.m.
New Moon, May 29; full moon, May 15.
High water at Fort Denison, — a.m., 12.2 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.
Victoria.—Overland, 5.30* and 7 p.m.
* Letters for Melbourne only will be accepted without late fee for the Express from 5.30 to 6.30 p.m., if posted in the special box, which will be open for that purpose during the time stated.
Queensland.—Overland, 4.45 p.m.
Wellington, &c., N.Z.—Waikare, 3 p.m.
Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, from Wellington.—Waasaui, 4 p.m.
* Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Anglian, 5.30 p.m.
Noumea.—Saint Louis, 6 p.m.
Richmond River.—Electra, 8 p.m.
Strahan, Zeehan, and West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Kawatiri, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Laurieton.—Kincumber, 10 a.m.
Melbourne.—R.M.S. Arcadia, 10 a.m.
Brisbane.—Leura, 10 a.m.
Nambucca River.—Nambucca, noon.
Clarence River.—Kallatina, 7 p.m.
Devonport West, Burnie, and Stanley, via Melbourne.—Penguin, 7 p.m.

MONDAY.

Eden.—Bega, 10 a.m.
Hobart.—Tambo, 10 a.m.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 5.30 p.m.

TUESDAY.

Manning River.—Coraki, 4 p.m.
United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per R.M.S. Arcadia, 4.30 p.m.
R.M.S. Arcadia, letters addressed to persons on board.—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—R.M.S. Arcadia, 5.30 p.m.
Dunedin, &c., N.Z., and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Tarawera, 5.30 p.m.
Strahan, Zeehan, and West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Kawatiri, 7 p.m.
Clarence River.—City of Grafton, 7 p.m.
Byron Bay, Coff's Harbour, and Woolgoolga.—Excelsior, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

Eden.—Allowrie, 10 a.m.
Auckland, &c., N.Z., Navigators' Islands, Honolulu, United States of America, Canada, United Kingdom, and Continent of Europe.—R.M.S. Mariposa, 11 a.m. (Except for letters placed in the Foreign Receiver, G.P.O., which may be posted for inclusion in the mail up to 11.30 a.m., without late fee.)

THURSDAY.

Auckland, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Westralia, 2 p.m.
Thursday Island, Batavia, and Singapore, from Townsville.—Duke of Sutherland, 4.45 p.m.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Pateena, 5.30 p.m.

* Correspondence intended for transmission by this vessel must be specially endorsed with the name of the ship.

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The British advance in the direction of Brandfort has become accentuated. Troops are moving northward from Karee, Glen, and Krantz Kraal with four batteries of artillery and two 4.7 guns. Strenuous efforts are being made to intercept Commandant De Wet, who is retreating to Winburg.

The Boer lines fronting the British advance northward have been pushed back.

General Snyman, who is besieging Mafeking, fired 30 shells into the women's laager on April 11. The duration of the siege is a question of food. Colonel Plumer sent some cattle to Mafeking in charge of natives. The Boers shot two natives, wounded three, and captured the herd. After questioning the wounded men the Boers cut their throats.

King Oscar has expressed, through the medium of a London paper, his sympathy with the British, and he points to the magnificent support of the colonies and the splendid fighting of the colonials, as good which has resulted from the war, and as a proof of the justice of the British cause.

Two hundred persons were killed by an explosion which took place during blasting operations at Schofield, in the State of Utah, America.

Mr. A. Deakin, federal delegate in London for the colony of Victoria, has sent a cable message to the Premier of that colony suggesting that a public movement should be initiated throughout Australia to impress on the Imperial Government the desire of the people to have the Commonwealth Bill passed without amendment.

The people of Australia, Mr. Deakin suggests, should also ask that in the measure creating the proposed Appellate Court, provision should be made for Australia to be represented on the Bench of the court, and for its suits being heard before the court.

Mr. Deakin thinks that if this step is taken it will result in the Commonwealth Bill being passed by the Imperial Parliament without amendment.

The Parliament of Western Australia has been summoned to meet on the 17th instant to reconsider the question of federation. The Premier (Sir John Forrest) has promised to introduce a measure providing for the immediate submission of the Commonwealth Bill to the people as amended by the Premiers' Conference.

The Australian federal delegates were entertained on Wednesday evening at a banquet in London by the members of the National Liberal Club. Lord Carrington presided. Lord Rosebery, Lord Tweedmouth, the Earl of Kimberley, Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman (leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons), and many other prominent Liberals were present.

Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman, in proposing the toast of "The Australian Commonwealth," declared that the union of the Australian colonies would contribute to the oneness of the British race. It was inconceivable, he said, that a difference of opinion should prevent the realisation of Australia's wishes.

Mr. E. Barton said Australia confidently hoped that Great Britain would recognise a constitution which was clearly limited to things necessary to self-government, and would not adopt a course calculated to lead to a change in the constitution under circumstances that would bring about some irritation.

Mr. C. C. Kingston, of South Australia, said that a Commonwealth born in the heart of the people and cradled in fondest hope was now presented at the Imperial font, with the trust that the process of blessing would not mar its form or features.

Lord Rosebery, in proposing the toast of "The Empire's Parliaments," said that he foresaw in the amalgamation of the Judicial Committee of the House of Lords with the Privy Council an "open door" to a reform of the House of Commons, thus ensuring it a great future.

The extraordinary spectacle of the motherland rescuing fellow-subjects from intolerant domination and intolerable menace, while her daughters rallied to her support, pointed, Lord Rosebery said, to fruits worthy of the sacrifices undergone.

The Earl of Kimberley, referring to the reform of the Privy Council, said that the link of Empire must be accepted by both sides, and must not be imposed by one alone. It would be better to sever the link than to prevent the consummation of the great work entrusted to the delegates.

Mr. Deakin, of Victoria, said that the constitutional recognition of the views of the Australian citizens would best be expressed by the acceptance of their ideal.

Mr. Dickson, of Queensland, said he personally thought that the restriction of the right of appeal to the Privy Council might injure the free interchange of commerce between the motherland and her colonies.

Queensland, he said, preferred the Commonwealth Bill as it stood, but rather than retard the Imperial assent that colony would receive amendments, so long as the bill was passed.

At a meeting of members of the New South Wales Bar held yesterday to consider clause 74 of the Commonwealth Bill a resolution was carried by a large majority opposing "any infringement of the present right of appeal to the Privy Council" as likely to be injurious to the public interest. An amendment moved in favour of non-interference in the matter was negatived by a large majority.

The Premier (Mr. W. J. Lyne) returned to Sydney from Quirindi yesterday, making a brief stay at Newcastle.

The Minister for Works (Mr. O'Sullivan) addressed a large public meeting at the Town Hall, Broken Hill, last night. Mr. O'Sullivan is suffering from an attack of bronchitis.

A copy of a proclamation in the Government "Gazette" regarding the resumption of Darling Harbour wharfs is given in another column, in which the boundaries of the land resumed are defined.

A sketch is also published showing the area and boundaries of the resumed frontages. The shaded portions in the sketch indicate the resumed land.

The Wellington agricultural show was continued yesterday under very favourable conditions. Between 6000 and 7000 people attended during the day.

A meeting was held at the Town Hall last night in connection with the Indian Famine Relief Fund. His Excellency Lord Beauchamp presided, and announced that the sum of £300 had already been received.

His Excellency, in adjourning the meeting, expressed his intention of inviting the Mayors of the various municipalities in the colony to co-operate in the movement.

Ten cases of bubonic plague were reported to the Board of Health yesterday, and three deaths occurred. The death of a man was also reported from Tennyson, and a post-mortem examination showed that he had suffered from plague.

Mr. Crick (Postmaster-General of N.S.W.) and Mr. Watt (Postmaster-General of Victoria) have had a conference in Melbourne upon the Cape cable proposals of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company, and have arrived at what they consider a satisfactory arrangement.

The chief manager of the Victorian railways (Mr. Fitzpatrick) and Mr. Lockhead (assistant traffic manager) met representatives of the South Australian Railway Department yesterday in Melbourne to discuss the question of uniformity of goods freight charges, in order that a starting point for common classification might be agreed to.

The Queensland Patriotic Fund amounts to £21,133, and the Bushman's Fund to £9620.

A small amount of business was transacted in investment stocks on the Stock and Share market yesterday, and prices generally showed little change.

Business in the Mining market yesterday was quiet, with Broken Hill silver stocks somewhat less firm. New South Wales dredging companies were in favour, and Western Australian gold stocks were fairly steady.

Our cables this morning are full of promise for the future of the Commonwealth Bill. But until the final constitutional stage through which the Commonwealth Bill has to pass has been actually surmounted and done with, it is, of course, within the right of any citizen to make his protest heard against any feature of the bill with which he may disagree. Hence we freely admit that the meetings of the Chamber of Commerce and of members of the Bar, as well as that held at the Hotel Australia the other day, were entirely entitled to express their opinions. For the sake of the mere logic of their position, however, it is somewhat unfortunate that these opinions were not expressed before. As the situation now stands, the stage of discussion in these colonies has passed. The people and the Parliaments have accepted the bill as the Federal Convention framed it and as the Melbourne Conference amended it. The Premiers have sent it to London in the hands of delegates strictly instructed to adhere to the letter of the bill. An element of opposition has been raised by the Colonial Office, partly no doubt to test the real strength of Australian federal sentiment, which if unresisted would have opened up the whole question of possible amendments and created a condition of confusion into which order could only have been introduced, if at all, by another referendum. We have already taken two. If the Commonwealth Bill had been torn to pieces in the fashion here indicated we should have had another, and the precedent set in overriding the verdict of the referendum and its formal ratification by Parliament might have opened the way to an unlimited series of further referenda, with all that expense and dislocation of public business which, as we have seen, are concomitants with that undesirable experiment. No sincere federalist can desire to see the issue already decided re-opened, unless some party motive is a stronger actuating influence with him than the federal sentiment.

The meeting of members of the Bar may be taken as typical of the present counter movement. It seems to us that Mr. O'Connor, in moving his amendment, put the case for the federalists with a moderation and fairness which are the more conspicuous since we have already published a somewhat different expression of opinion from the same source on the question in dispute. As a member of the Convention which framed the bill he might be expected to rank among its legitimate defenders, and the weak point of the present opposition to the 74th clause was palpably hit when he showed that the Bar was absolutely silent when the proper opportunity for expressing an opinion arose. It was not until the bill had been sent home that the legal profession had offered to assist in framing or amending it. While the Convention was sitting and while the community was afterwards actively engaged in debating every line and clause of the Constitution before accepting it, the Bar was silent. So were other objectors to the 74th clause whose names and efforts are prominent just now. Some of these even fought strongly on the side of the bill, and raised no voice of criticism or warning in regard to its provisions. It is singular, to say the least of it, to find professing federalists like these joining hands with the declared opponents of federation to undo the work they helped to complete. Their action was either equivocal then, or it is so now. From first to last federalists have always expressed a loyal trust in the Federal Parliament, yet it curiously happens that some of them are found uniting with anti-federalists to take adverse action against the bill at the precise moment when an opportunity is about to be offered that Federal Parliament to demonstrate its good faith. From the cabled information to hand there seems every reason to believe now that the difficulty with the Colonial Office is in a fair way to be overcome by a simple expedient which we have advocated from the first. It is conceded that the present Privy Council Appellate Court needs adjustment to modern conditions. It is also understood that a scheme for the formation of a new Imperial Court of Appeal is now actually engaging attention, and will probably be submitted to the Imperial Parliament at the same time as the unamended Commonwealth Bill, in the full confidence that the Federal Parliament we are about to constitute will loyally accept it. Yet this is the unfortunate juncture chosen by these meetings to express their somewhat unfederal distrust.

As we have said, the interests represented by the objectors to the 74th clause are within their right in claiming a hearing. They represent *elements in this* community which would be entitled to a respectful and even deferential hearing on any public question. That their action is taken in entire good faith, no federalist has the slightest inclination to question. It may even be that the most enthusiastic federalist can cordially agree with the professed object which these meetings have in view. But that professed object is certainly not to be served by setting up a fictitious and fantastic antagonism between loyalty to the Commonwealth Bill and loyalty to the Throne and Empire. A cable message from Adelaide assured Mr. Chamberlain that the majority of "loyal South Australian citizens" favoured the reservation of the right of appeal. The distinction suggested is invidious, and it is not calculated to do much good to the end it is intended to serve. The very fact that influential public meetings urge that the Imperial link be fully preserved is evidence that our Federal Parliament can be trusted, and as Mr. Barton told our correspondent, as reported in his letter published yesterday, if the appeal question as expressed in the bill were properly understood there would cease to be any objection to it. In the circumstances it might be well if Mr. Deakin's suggestion favouring a public federal movement to declare the true mind of Australia and reply to the objectors were carried into effect.

The Indian currency scheme is now approaching the final stage. In several respects it provides for the most remarkable change of the kind in the history of the world. It affects the convenience and well-being of at least a sixth of its population, and concerns all the civilised nations which trade with them. Our own commerce with India is considerable, and on an ever-increasing scale; and it was of the utmost importance to the merchants of Australia that the money of the country should have some fixity of value. In years gone by we recall instances of the vexation resulting from contracts set aside by the alterations in exchange within a day or two. The comparative steadiness of the rupee within the last year has prevented the repetition of such occurrences, and placed business relations with the country on a more steady foundation. The prime objects of the framers of the gold standard scheme may be said to have already been accomplished. Exchange has been freed from objectionable fluctuations, which not only caused uncertainty and loss to the mercantile classes, but serious derangement of the financial administration of the country. Receiving its revenue in depreciating rupees, and having to meet a considerable part of its expenditure in England in appreciating sterling, the Government of India, from year to year, had to provide for a deficiency sometimes amounting to millions sterling. The leading public officers of the country found their salaries less valuable than if they had been on a gold basis. These may have had as great purchasing power in India, and did not suffer very much when spent there. But considerable portions were expended in England, where rupees became relatively less valuable than sovereigns, and in consequence a source of grievance to the public officials.

The operation of the currency law was widely opposed from the first by some of the leading financial authorities in England. Many reasons were urged against it. It was said that it would not suit the people of India; that their trade was fostered by the depreciation of the rupee. Then by some it was urged that the gold supplies of the world would be absorbed, and could not meet the requirements of the country. It was declared that India was a sink into which gold would flow and cause inconvenience to the real commercial countries of the world. Recognised authorities delivered themselves of this view in the press and in the Monetary Conferences held on the subject. The opposition was so strong up to 1897 that the Indian Government hesitated to take the necessary measures to complete its scheme. Though the exchange value of the rupee had risen to 1s 4d it was declared that this was exceptional, and would not be continued. The Government indeed thought the contraction in the four years within which the mints were closed was not sufficient, and proposed to melt down a large amount of rupees. But the traders of India raised such an outcry that the whole matter was referred to a conference. Though there were many opponents the report was favourable to the scheme. The expanding commerce made it unnecessary to melt rupees. War and famine have not prevented the maintenance of their exchange value at 1s 4d. The demand for them became so great that a large amount of the stock held by the Government against its note issues was given out and replaced with gold.

In his Budget Speech, delivered a month back, Mr. Clinton Dawkins, the Finance Minister of India, declared that, so far from the realisation of alarmist predictions that all gold would be banished from the country, the difficulties were rather from a plethora of the metal. To the amount in the currency reserve on April 1, 1899, had since been added £5,039,800, making £7,069,000 on March 7; and in London the India Government had £1,500,000, giving an aggregate of £8,569,800. In fact, gold was so abundant that the unwillingness of the Government to exchange sovereigns for rupees at the rate of 1 to 15 came to an end, and on January 15 gold was given out for the first time. Whenever its reserve of gold reaches £5,000,000 it is proposed to exchange it for rupees. Thus it is not the lack of gold but of silver that has become apparent in India. And in consequence it has been decided to mint additional rupees to the value of £1,000,000. The opponents of the currency scheme, who said that India would be a sink to absorb gold, now declare that the people will not take it. Nor will they use it in any such extensive way as it is used in England. That was never believed. The amount of gold taken out by the presenters of notes within less than two months was £130,700. The Treasurer believes that the rate at which gold will be taken out is likely to increase slowly, and that it will gradually pass into circulation in seaports and large towns. That is his view, and the Government does not propose to create inconvenience either by forcing out gold on the one hand, or unduly limiting the supply of silver on the other.

The currency scheme is one into which India has grown, or is steadily growing. None of the unfortunate results predicted by those who opposed it seven years ago have occurred thus far. On the contrary, though the country has passed through two periods of famine and plague, and one of war, the difficulties are lessening. The Finance Minister regards the operation of the currency scheme as assured. For the first time he has made his estimates in sterling instead of in rupees. Despite the unfortunate season, which involved the expenditure for relief of £2,072,000, there was a surplus of £2,641,000. After providing £3,368,000 for relief in the current year, Mr. Dawkins expects that his anticipated revenue of £68,332,400 will exceed his expenditure by a small sum. This is a very satisfactory result. It is testimony to the sound administration of the finances of a great country. And perhaps this is all the more remarkable that it has occurred notwithstanding that the monetary system has been in a state of transition. This feature of administration contrasts favourably with what we have seen as the result of currency legislation in the United States. Free from the crises which have occurred there, India cannot be said to have suffered so far in any material degree from the change. If there was inconvenience it arose from the apprehensions of the Government, which for a time was afraid to complete its own work and supply money when it became very dear at Calcutta and Bombay. Although it will not be denied that the currency scheme has yet to pass the last stage, the prospects are encouraging that the gold standard will be established with advantage not only to India but to all commercial nations.

Crime, as we pointed out the other day, shows a satisfactorily steady decrease in New South Wales, and the report of the Comptroller-General of Prisons to the Minister for Justice confirms the statement. Possibly statistics founded on the number of persons actually in gaol on a certain day in the year are as trustworthy a guide in this matter as any that can be found. Conclusions are sometimes established on such returns as the number of persons apprehended during the year, but in that case it is necessary to bear in mind that more persons are apprehended than are convicted. The objection common to both systems is that it is difficult to discriminate between persons who have been apprehended in a given year, or who are in prison on a certain date, on comparatively trivial charges, and persons who are in either of these positions for serious offences. Happily misgivings on this point may be dismissed so far as New South Wales is concerned, and we have the satisfactory evidence of facts to prove that crime of all kinds—especially of the more serious kinds—is steadily decreasing. The report furnished by Captain Neitenstein shows that this decrease is even more marked and more satisfactory than might have been expected. He takes the general and the prison populations for every year since 1884, and compares the figures. In 1884 one out of every 373 of the population was in gaol; ten years later the proportion was one out of every 480, and at the end of 1899 it was one out of every 682. Or, if the matter is looked at from another point of view, the gaol population on December 31, 1894, was 2602 out of a general population of 1,251,450, whilst on December 31, 1899, it was 1989 out of a general population of 1,356,650. When it is borne in mind that Sydney, as the principal port in Australasia, is particularly exposed to the influx of undesirable immigrants, the decrease in crime shown by those figures is even more *satisfactory* than it appears at first blush.

LADYSMITH.—We publish to-day another chapter of the history of the siege of Ladysmith. It was written by our special war correspondent, D. A. Macdonald, early in February, and is devoted mainly to a description of the condition of things as they existed then at the beleaguered town. Horses were being slaughtered daily with the object of saving as much forage as possible for the gun teams, and the strictest supervision was being exercised in the serving out of daily rations. An ingenious device adopted for the purpose of drawing the fire of the Boers is mentioned, and reference is made to the effect of lyddite shell fire.

VICE-REGAL NEWS.—His Excellency the Governor, who was attended by Captain Clark, A.D.C., was present at the meeting in connection with the Indian Famine Fund held at the Town Hall last evening.

THE PREMIER AT NEWCASTLE.—Mr. W. J. Lyne, on his way from Quirindi to Sydney, halted yesterday at Newcastle with the view of hearing the opinions of the leading citizens in connection with local matters. He was waited upon by a deputation representing the Chamber of Commerce, the gravamen of their requirements being the creation of a harbour trust for that city. Mr. Lyne could not see his way clear to fall in with the suggestions of the deputation in this regard, and pointed out that the raising of the necessary funds by mortgage would be a serious bar to the scheme. He, however, stated that he would look into the matter, and, if possible, give effect to the desires of the deputation. With regard to the question of the powers of the health authorities in connection with the quarantining of foreign vessels, the Premier said he would consult the president of the Board of Health, Dr. Ashburton Thompson, but personally he was of opinion that the powers asked for were necessary.

THE QUEENSLAND IMPERIAL BUSHMEN.—Yesterday the Premier, Mr. W. J. Lyne, received a telegram from Mr. Robert Philp, Premier of Queensland, asking if there was any objection to the Queensland contingent of the Imperial Bushmen coming by rail from Brisbane to Sydney, and embarking upon the Manchester Port here so soon as that transport is repaired. Mr. Lyne's reply was characteristic. He wired to Mr. Philp that the men would be welcome.

THE EARLY CLOSING ACT.—The Minister for Labour (Mr. Perry) has had his attention drawn to a recent decision of the Supreme Court relating to the closing of shops. He states that if "mixed shops" are allowed to keep open until a late hour it will be necessary for a large army of inspectors to be employed, as the Government, to obtain a conviction, would have to prove that a sale had taken place. The difficulty apparently arose because of the definition of the word "close" in the present Act. At present this means "closed to the admission of the public for the purpose of trade." In an amending Act which will be introduced shortly after Parliament meets, Mr. Perry will propose to strike out the words "for the purpose of trade," so as to ensure that shops shall, after certain hours, be closed altogether against the admission of the public.

INCREMENTS TO SALARIES OF PUBLIC SERVANTS.—With reference to the question of the payment of increments to salaries of officers of the lower grades of the clerical division, for which a sum was voted on the Estimates for the present financial year, the Public Service Board desires us to state that the work of examining the certificates sent in by the various heads of departments is nearly completed, and it is hoped that the whole work will be finished and the "Gazette" notices issued by the end of the week after next.

TELEPHONE INQUIRY BOARD.—The witnesses called yesterday were Mr. G. Herbert, monitor, and two female switch attendants. Mr. Watson, manager of telephones, gave further evidence, and furnished some plans and returns for the information of the board. It is anticipated that the examination of departmental witnesses will be completed this week.

GRAIN ELEVATORS.—We published a telegram from Melbourne yesterday stating that Mr. Mathieson, the Victorian Commissioner for Railways, would shortly proceed to the United States to study the grain elevator system, and this is also on Mr. Oliver's agenda paper on his American trip. Those concerned in the subject may be interested by a paragraph in the new issue of the "Agricultural Gazette," in which Mr. John Dunkley, of Bathurst, mentions that he is finishing a grain elevator for Mr. F. Crago's Federal Flour Mills at Newtown. It is built with foundations of concrete and posts and girders of ironbark. The fins are made of 6 x 2 diminishing to 3½ x 2 Oregon timber. They are 47ft. deep from girders to girders, 10ft. from the ground, the holding capacity being 60,000 bushels. There are belt conveyors, bucket elevators, and everything up to date for quick and cheap handling of grain. The "Gazette" adds: "Mr. Dunkley points out that this is the first elevator of the kind adopted in this colony, and no doubt those engaged in the handling of grain will be interested to learn how it succeeds. The first wheat, it is understood, is now being put through."

MARRICKVILLE-BELMORE TRAIN SERVICE.—Owing to the rapid development of the suburbs along the Marrickville-Belmore line, the train service during the busy portions of the day is found inadequate to conveniently carry passengers. At a meeting of the Marrickville Council on Wednesday evening Alderman Hazlehurst moved,—"That the council clerk be instructed to write to the Railway Commissioners urging the necessity for an increased train service for all stations on the Marrickville-Belmore line between the hours of 7 a.m. and 9 a.m., and suggesting that at least two trains, one to Belmore at 7.20 a.m., and to Marrickville at 7.33 a.m., and another to leave Belmore at 8.20 a.m., and Marrickville at 8.33 a.m., for Redfern, should be placed upon the time-table from the 1st proximo." He said he had an extensively signed petition for the proposed additional trains, which he would hand to the Mayor, to be forwarded with the council's letter. The resolution was agreed to.

LETTER-BOXES ON ELECTRIC TRAMS.—At a meeting of the Marrickville Council on Wednesday evening Alderman Chenhall pointed out that some inconvenience was suffered by the public owing to letter-boxes not being affixed to the electric trams. People, he said, had become accustomed to the use of these boxes on the old steam trams, and they now missed them. He moved,—"That the council clerk be instructed to write to the Railway Commissioners asking that letter-boxes be affixed to the electric cars running to Dulwich Hill." Alderman Farr seconded the motion, which was unanimously agreed to.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE.—A meeting of the council of the Women's College was held on Friday last in the boardroom of the Australian Mutual Provident Society. There were present Mr. J. T. Walker (chairman), Mrs. H. E. Barff, Miss Macdonald, Mrs. Langer Owen, Miss Woolley, Messrs. G. E. Rich, R. Teece, and R. R. Garran (hon. secretary). A ballot was held for the election of two councillors to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations of Miss Fairfax and Professor Scott. This was the first occasion on which members of the college had been able by virtue of being graduates of three years' standing, and having their names on the college books, to vote at a council election. The result of the poll was that Mrs. George J. Cohen and Mr. Geoffrey E. Fairfax were declared duly elected.

PATRIOTIC FUND.—We have received from Alderman J. W. Cockbaine (Mayor of Petersham) a cheque for £18 18s for the fund. This was the result of a concert given in the Petersham Town Hall recently by the pupils of St. Hilier's School, Ashfield.

THE OUTRAGE AT NEW BRITAIN.—Upon inquiry at the German Consulate yesterday it was ascertained that a full report of the murder of the German officer reported yesterday had been received at the Consulate from New Britain. A "Herald" reporter was informed that the late paymaster, whose name was Bellow, was well known in Sydney when the Moewe was here last December. The details given in the official reports correspond with those already published, only that instead of the card party being held in a room at the Governor's house they were outside on the verandah. The Governor was not present at the time, and there were but four in the card party. From the documents received it would seem that the native "boy" had once before "run amok," and that at the time of the tragedy he was evidently insane, as the paymaster had never previously been seen by him in his life. The whole of the details are horrifying. The black boy had in his hand a double-barrelled gun, and as the paymaster fell back a second report was heard, and the corpse of the native lay upon the ground within a few feet from the body of his victim. It is stated that at the moment the fatal bullet entered the paymaster's heart he was rising from his seat, least suspecting the attack made upon him. There had been no trouble with the natives, and it was the late paymaster's first visit ashore. At the German Consulate, where he was intimately known and esteemed, and in German and other circles the most profound regret was yesterday expressed.

GREAT BRITAIN AND HER RIVALS.—English journals are publishing the subjoined concisely written review of the position of Great Britain, taken from the "New York Tribune":—"Great Britain has been succeeding in her enterprises in a manner unrivalled and unapproached by any other European nation. The growth of her Empire, the upbuilding of her colonies, the extension of her commerce, and the maintenance of her sea-power are veritable wonders of the world. The increase of her domestic wealth, too, is quite phenomenal and unique. These circumstances may well provoke the jealousy and envy of others. But above them all is the fact that these things are attained along with the maintenance of both high social order and broad popular freedom. That is the point that maddens England's foes."

RESERVATION OF THE SACRAMENT.—A cablegram was published yesterday stating that "the Archbishops of Canterbury and York had decided that the Church of England rubrics did not permit of reservation of the Sacrament in any form." In reference to this cable a clergyman of the Anglican Church supplies the following:—The question at issue was simply one of reservation in the case of Communicating the Sick. The clergy working amongst large populations have felt the great need of some relaxation of the rule that the elements should not be conveyed out of the church. Often in the sickrooms of the very poor it was difficult to arrange for a reverent celebration of the Holy Communion. The many demands for communion with the increased life of the Church had made it almost impossible to meet all these needs. The difficulty had been very strongly felt by bishops, such as Dr. Westcott, Bishop of Durham, who gave their sanction to the clergy to convey the Holy Communion direct from the church to the sick beds of communicants in their parishes. A memorial very largely signed by medical men was presented some months ago to the Archbishops of Canterbury and York in support of the desire of those clergy who wished to reserve the Holy Communion for administration to the sick. The Archbishops have now given their decision, viz., that under the present rubrics of the Church of England this cannot be allowed.

THE MELANESIAN MISSION.—Though not much known in Sydney the Melanesian Missionary steamer Southern Cross is in active service, and has as much to do as she can accomplish. An extract from her logbook says:—"The cost of the oil launch which the Rev. P. T. Williams has had constructed in Auckland to facilitate work in Guadalcanar, Solomon Islands, has been £150 8s, and is named 'Te Aute,' after the native school in Hawke's Bay, so ably fathered by the Ven. Archdeacon Williams." Speaking of the recent visit to Auckland of 16 Melanesian teachers with Bishop Wilson, it says (quoting from the "New Zealand Herald"):—"The boys enjoyed their week in 'white man's country' immensely. They saw a great many of the sights, went to Onehunga in the train, were taken over the railway works by Mr. MacDonald, sang at two meetings at St. Mary's and St. Sepulchre's, played the organ at the same two churches, visited St. John's College, Tamaki, the home of 'our fathers,' and did a great many other things which they will never forget."

Public holidays have been proclaimed as follows:—Districts of Lochabar, Mudgee, Grenfell, police district of Burrowa, Wednesday, 9th instant; district of Casino, electoral district of the Hawkesbury and the Nepean, Friday, 11th instant; electoral district of Gundagai, Wednesday, 16th instant.

To-morrow the ocean trip to the Hawkesbury will be made by the Namoi, to leave Flood's Wharf, west side of Circular Quay, at 2 o'clock, affording excursionists an opportunity of enjoying a coastal trip of about 70 miles, and of viewing several miles of beautiful river scenery. The steamer will return about 7 o'clock.

In reference to the letter of Mr. Etheridge on behalf of the executive of the New South Wales Chamber of Mines, on eight hours for miners, which appeared in the "Herald" of May 1, Mr. Arthur Griffith, M.L.A., points out that as in this colony coalminers are paid by piecework, the argument of the letter fails, that time consumed in travelling between the face and the pit's mouth counts in the shift, "depriving the owner of 12½ per cent. of the work he is paying for."

The appointment has been approved by his Excellency the Governor of Messrs. John Henry Dobbin, Reuben Ezzy, Michael Gorman, Thomas Higgins, James William Hayes, James Pearce, and Matthew Saunders as trustees of the Millthorpe recreation ground. The appointment has also been approved by his Excellency the Governor of Messrs. Thomas Henry York, Edwin Ambrose Smith, Ernest James Matthews, Leopold Nicholas Hyeronimus, and John Thomas Prichard Bassett as trustees of the Wellington show ground.

At the licensed victuallers' picnic Marshall's Brewery was represented by Mr. Pullen.

A dinner and smoke concert to Old Newingtonians will be held this evening.

"Daily Traveller" writes, urging that the Railway Commissioners should adopt some plan which would obviate the necessity for the trams proceeding to Balmain stopping for long periods at the Glebe Town Hall.

The address to the Hon. Henry Copeland, the new Agent-General, from his former constituents, the electors of Phillip Division, will be exhibited to-day in the window of Messrs. David Jones and Co. The testimonial has been designed and executed by Mr. J. W. Reed, of Pitt-street.

The R.A.A. Band will, weather permitting, perform in Hyde Park this afternoon, commencing at 3.30 o'clock.

A man named W. R. Evans, aged 26, employed as a traveller by Messrs. Wunderlich and Co., and residing in Dailey-street, Waverley, whilst on board the ship Cavaliere Ciampa, lying in Neutral Bay, yesterday, fell down the hold of the vessel, a distance of about 25ft., receiving severe injuries to the head and back. The Civil Ambulance conveyed him to Sydney Hospital, where he was admitted.

A dockyman named Timothy Duggan, employed on the steamship Kasenla, lying in Mort's Dock, was stabbed on the left side of the neck, left shoulder blade, and on the right eye early yesterday morning. He was admitted for treatment at the Balmain Cottage Hospital suffering severely from loss of blood.

A child named John Webber, aged 3, residing with his parents in St. Mary's-road, Newtown, while playing about the house last evening, fell into a dish of hot water and was badly scalded about the body and legs. He was taken to Prince Alfred Hospital for treatment.

A boy named S. Collins, aged 12, residing in East-street, Surry Hills, was admitted at Sydney Hospital last night suffering from severe burning about the chest and abdomen, caused through his clothes igniting while he was firing crackers.

A boy named William Matherson, aged 9 years, residing with his parents at 7 Arthur-street, Balmain, was admitted to the local Cottage Hospital yesterday, suffering from a severe fracture of the left thigh, caused through his being knocked down and run over by a horse in Beattie-street. He was admitted by Dr. L. Gordon Davidson.

A peculiar accident befel a lad named Bertie Button, residing in Bay-street, Botany, yesterday afternoon. He works in a boot factory, and while operating with one of the detail machines his left hand was caught by the hammer, the first finger being pierced by a spike. A portion of the machine had to be removed with the injured hand to the Sydney Hospital, where it was removed by drilling the spike through. It was found necessary also to amputate the first joint of the finger.

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THE WAR.

GENERAL HAMILTON'S FIGHTING.

LONDON, May 3.

Lieutenant-General Ian Hamilton has dispersed the Boers from Houtnek, 10 miles north of Thaba'nchu.

General Hamilton took 26 prisoners, including the Boer commandant.

The Boers admit that they lost 12 killed and 40 wounded.

On Monday the "Foreign Legion" suffered most, and M. Maximoff, the Russian commander, was wounded.

General Hamilton is resting with his command at Jacobsrust, after a week of incessant fighting.

DEALING WITH THE REBELS.

LONDON, May 3.

It has been found that the commandeering of rebels' horses has proved an effective deterrent.

ESCAPE OF BOER PRISONERS.

A RELATION OF GENERAL CRONJE SHOT.

LONDON, May 3.

Twelve Boer prisoners escaped from Simonstown in a boat. They were rescued by a French steamer and landed at Delagoa Bay.

The sentinel at Green Point, overlooking Simonstown, shot a relation of General Cronje, who was wandering out of bounds.

THE BOER PEACE DELEGATES.

MR. FISCHER'S MANIFESTO.

LONDON, May 3.

Mr. A. Fischer, the spokesman of the peace delegation, has issued a manifesto in which he declares that the delegates are about to visit America to urge the nations to apply the principles of the Peace Conference at The Hague. He appeals to America to stop the present fratricidal and needless war, and says the Boers are ready to submit to American arbitration.

THE BOER ARMY.

COMPLAINT OF GERMAN RECRUITS.

LONDON, May 3.

German recruits, who have been enlisting in the army of the Transvaal on the strength of promises of £1 per day and the gift of a farm, complain that the terms have been repudiated at Pretoria.

UNITED STATES.

BLASTING ACCIDENT AT UTAH.

LONDON, May 3.

It is feared that the deaths caused by the blasting accident at Schofield, in the State of Utah, number 400.

The blasting of the rock ignited a quantity of coal dust.

SILVER.

LONDON, May 3.

Bar silver is quoted to-day at 2s 3 9-16d per ounce standard.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN REVENUE RETURNS.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The revenue and expenditure returns for the quarter ended March 31 were issued to-day. The receipts showed an increase of £40,000, as compared with the preceding quarter, and the expenditure on the same basis of comparison decreased by £44,000. The income increased practically in every line, the only exception being territorial. The railways gained by £20,000 and the customs £9200. The revenue for the nine months of the current financial year showed an increase upon the first three quarters of the preceding year of £88,000. The expenditure during the same period showed an addition of £102,000, an excess of £24,500 over the receipts. The present prospect is that, granting normal conditions, the present year will end with a credit balance, even if the equipment of the contingents and other special sources of outlay should prevent the Treasurer realising the £20,000 surplus he expected in September last.

COLLISION AT PORT PIRIE.

BETWEEN THE BOVERIC AND HELLAS.

PORT PIRIE, Thursday.

While in the river at Port Pirie to-day the incoming steamer Boveric and the outward bound barque Hellas collided, both being seriously damaged forward. The Boveric had three frames and seven plates seriously injured, all forward of the bulkhead, and the main deck rivets in the bow were pulled through, the plates warping. The railings on the forecastle were carried clean away. The total damage is about £500. The damage received by the Hellas was still more serious. The bowsprit was driven round athwart her bows, and the jibboom and figurehead were carried away with most of the forward gear. Her stem was broken above the waterline. The repairs will cost over £1000. She is now under the Russian flag, but formerly was the Cannbulg.

VICTORIA.

THE BUTTER EXPORT TRADE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

It was stated at a meeting of the Dairymen's Association to-day by Mr. G. Crowe, the Government butter expert, that while the export of butter to London was rising rapidly, there was a new feature, and one of a very unsatisfactory kind, coming in to the trade. He regretted to say that the high standard of quality for butter which had been attained in the early stages of the export trade, was now threatened. "There was creeping into the trade," Mr. Crowe said, "a description of butter which was the ordinary kind found on the market here, and not that quality which commanded the top market rates. If Victorian butter makers desired to obtain prices on a par with those given in London for butter from Denmark, ordinary grade butter should not be exported."

Upon the arrival of the steamer Tolosa from New York to-night the captain reported that a Danish fireman named Jasper Anderson was missing, and was suspected of having committed suicide on March 19. It is supposed that Anderson became mentally affected by the heat and jumped overboard. He was about 41 years of age.

FOR THE CHILDREN'S SAKE
take care they have ARNOTT'S Milk Arrowroot Biscuits. Ask for ARNOTT'S and don't be persuaded to take any other.—Advt.

FEDERATION.

NATIONAL LIBERAL CLUB BANQUET.

AUSTRALIAN UNION WARMLY COMMENDED.

THE ONENESS OF THE BRITISH RACE.

SPEECHES BY THE FEDERAL DELEGATES.

LORD ROSEBERY ON REFORM OF THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

LONDON, May 3.

The Australian Federal Delegates, Mr. Edmund Barton, Q.C. (New South Wales), Mr. Alfred Deakin (Victoria), Mr. C. C. Kingston (South Australia), Mr. J. R. Dickson (Queensland), and Sir P. O. Fysh (Tasmania) were last evening entertained at a banquet by the members of the National Liberal Club. Lord Carrington presided, and amongst those present were Lord Rosebery, Lord Tweedmouth, the Earl of Kimberley, Mr. H. H. Asquith, Mr. Herbert Gladstone, Sir H. H. Fowler, Mr. James Bryce, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, and Sir Edward Grey.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, in proposing the toast of "The Australian Commonwealth," which he incidentally described as unborn, declared that the union of the Australian colonies would contribute to the oneness of the British race. It was, he said, inconceivable that a difference of opinion would prevent the realisation of Australia's wishes.

Mr. Edmund Barton, in reply, said that Australians confidently hoped that Great Britain would recognise a constitution which was clearly limited to things necessary to self-government, and that Great Britain would not adopt a course calculated to lead to a change in the constitution under circumstances that would bring about some irritation.

Mr. C. C. Kingston said that a Commonwealth born in the people's heart and cradled in their fondest hope was now presented at the Imperial font, and trusted that the process of blessing would not mar its form or features.

Lord Rosebery, in proposing the toast of "The Empire's Parliaments," said that he foresaw in the amalgamation of the Judicial Committee of the House of Lords with the Privy Council an open door to a reform of the House of Lords, thus ensuring it a great future. Must British Parliaments all over the globe remain scattered, and united only by the symbol of the Crown? He believed that the extraordinary spectacle of the motherland rescuing fellow subjects from intolerable domination and intolerable menace, while her daughters rallied to her support, pointed to fruits worthy of the sacrifices undergone.

The Earl of Kimberley, in dwelling on the reform of the Privy Council, said that that link of the Empire must be accepted on both sides, and must not be imposed by one alone. It would be better to sever the link than to prevent the consummation of the great work entrusted to the delegates.

Mr. Alfred Deakin said that the constitutional recognition of the views of Australian citizens would be best expressed in the acceptance of their ideal. The chief obstacle to an Imperial Senate would be the reluctance of Great Britain to surrender any powers which she now wielded.

Mr. J. R. Dickson said that personally he thought that the restriction of the right of appeal to the Privy Council might injure the free interchange of commerce between the motherland and the colonies. Queensland, he said, preferred the Commonwealth Bill as it stood, but rather than retard the Imperial assent Queensland would receive amendments so long as the bill was passed.

Sir P. O. Fysh said that Australia, despite party cries, was unanimous on the Commonwealth Bill.

THE ACTION OF SIR JOHN FORREST.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Premier, Mr. M'Lean, expressed his pleasure to-day with the action of the Western Australian Government in calling Parliament together to consider the question of submitting the Commonwealth Bill to the popular vote. Mr. M'Lean said that Sir John Forrest, at the conference of Premiers held in January, stated that he was sincere in his desire that Western Australia should enter the federation as an original State, but the Premiers felt they could not consent to any amendment of the bill. Mr. M'Lean points out that the inclusion of Western Australia will prevent the larger colonies taking steps to divide the States into electorates for the purpose of electing members to the House of Representatives, as, until the vote is taken in Western Australia, it will not be known how many members the colonies will be entitled to send to the House of Representatives.

THE CAPE CABLE SCHEME.

CONFERENCE BETWEEN POSTMASTERS-GENERAL.

AN AGREEMENT ARRIVED AT.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Postmasters-General of New South Wales and Victoria, Messrs. Crick and Watt, met to-day in conference on the Cape cable proposal of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company, and arrived at a satisfactory understanding. They agreed to concede to the company the right to reduce its rates to compete with any other cable that might be laid, and, afterwards, to return, if desired, to the sliding scale in operation before the temporary reduction. It was also agreed that the company shall have the right to deal directly with the public upon the laying of an Imperial Pacific cable, or any other Pacific cable, with the additional understanding that no other cable company shall secure these facilities before the Eastern Extension Company. As to the claim of the company to be exempt from the operation of the income tax and municipal rates, Messrs. Crick and Watt are of opinion they could not concede this; but it was agreed that whatever amount of money the company should have to pay in Parliamentary taxes and municipal rates should not be considered as part of the receipts when basing the automatic reduction of 6d per word on the average revenue of £250,000. A clause will be framed and inserted in the agreement that will give the Imperial Government or any of the colonial Governments interested in the cable an opportunity of purchasing it under certain conditions. Both Mr. Crick and Mr. Watt are anxious to protect the interests of the Imperial Pacific cable. It is also understood that before any agreement is signed with the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company the terms of the agreement will be submitted to the Parliaments of New South Wales and Victoria. Thus there will be a delay of a couple of months before the reduced rates come into operation in these two colonies. It is not yet known whether the directors of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company are prepared to accept the amendments made by Messrs. Crick and Watt.

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UNITED STATES.

SERIOUS BLASTING ACCIDENT AT UTAH.

LONDON, May 2.

A serious explosion has taken place during blasting operations at Schofield, in the State of Utah.

Two hundred persons were killed.

THE TALLOW MARKET.

LONDON, May 2.

At the weekly sales of Australian tallow held to-day 1525 casks were offered, of which 269 were sold. The prices of all kinds are unchanged.

NEWMARKET FIRST SPRING MEETING.

TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS STAKES.

WON BY THE PRINCE OF WALES' COLT DIAMOND JUBILEE.

LONDON, May 2.

At the Newmarket First Spring Meeting to-day the race for the leading event on the programme resulted as under:—

Two Thousand Guineas Stakes of 100 sovs. each, h.f., for three-year-olds, colts 9st, and fillies 8st 9lb, the owner of the second horse to receive 300 sovs. out of the stakes, and the third to save his stake. R. M., 1 mile 11 yards.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales' b c Diamond Jubilee, by St. Simon—Perdita II. 1
Sir E. Cassel's ch c Bonarosa, by Bonavista—Rose Madder 2
Lord Cadogan's br c Sidus, by St. Simon—Star of Fortune.. 3

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

The Government intend to issue postage stamps of the denomination of three half pence.

The railway returns for the financial year show a most satisfactory result. The total revenue was £1,623,890, as against £1,469,665 for the previous year, and the expenditure was £1,052,357, as against £929,737 for the previous year. The net receipts were £571,533, giving a percentage of £3 8s, as against £3 5s 10d for the preceding period. The traffic shows an increase in almost every class of goods. The passenger traffic increased by 512,731.

The gold returns for April were 20,353oz., of a value of £76,882, thus showing a decrease compared with the corresponding month of last year of 12,990oz., valued at £53,627. This return, however, is no criterion as to the total product, as it frequently happens that a large part of the output is kept back to swell the next month's exports.

A man named T. A. Wallace, while returning with his wife to Wellington from races at The Hut, stepped from the train while it was in motion. He was dragged under the carriage, and his left leg was completely severed, while his right leg was so mutilated as to render amputation necessary. It is doubtful whether he will recover.

David S. Bowman, formerly well-known in Christchurch as an auctioneer, has been found dead.

STRANDING OF THE QUIRAING.

RESCUE OF PASSENGERS.

THURSDAY ISLAND, Thursday.

Statements made by the passengers of the Quiraing are to the effect that the steamer went on the Ada Reef at 8 o'clock of the evening of Saturday, 21st ultimo. After the passengers had been landed by the aid of aboriginal divers, the vessel was enabled to float, and was beached a short distance away on the sand. The men of H.M.S. Penguin endeavoured to patch up the hole in the steamer, but lacking sufficient diving gear, they were unable to make her safe enough to venture to sea. The steamer remained on the beach when the Penguin left on Monday afternoon last. The cargo of No. 1 hold has been either jettisoned or damaged, but no particulars are available. The steamer Parua has been chartered here to carry the passengers to Burketown.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY CONFERENCE.

QUESTION OF FREIGHT RATES.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Mr. Fitzpatrick, chief traffic manager of the Victorian Railways, and Mr. Lockhead, assistant traffic manager, met representatives of the South Australian Railway Department in conference yesterday and to-day. The members discussed the question of uniformity of the goods freight charges in order that a starting point for common classification might be agreed upon. A comparison of the goods rates charged in both colonies has shown that while the departments have adopted the same number of classifications, yet there is a wide difference in the class of goods included under each head. Further, the mileage rates generally are not in accord. On the whole, it was found that the Victorian charges were slightly in excess of those of South Australia, but it was recognised that there are no inseparable difficulties in many instances in the way of uniform classification. It was clearly understood from the outset that each department would have to retain the right to try special rates for some classes of goods, and apart from these the conference hopes to present a very satisfactory report to the Commissioners of the two colonies. A financial statement, showing the effect of the proposed changes will also be furnished to both departments, and it is hoped that the New South Wales Department will bring its rates into line with Victoria and South Australia.

SHOOTING A BANK MANAGER.

EXTRACTION OF THE BULLET.

GRENFEL, Thursday.

Sergeant Roberts and Constable Hawkins, of Grenfell, arrested two men to-day between Grenfell and Cowra on suspicion of being concerned in the shooting of Mr. Wilkinson, manager of the Bank of New South Wales, on Monday night last. A revolver and cartridges were found in their possession. Detective Goulder arrived here to-day in connection with the case.

At the hospital this afternoon, after consultation, Drs. Chisholm and Gaden decided to remove the bullet from Mr. Wilkinson's body. The bullet, with a piece of bone, was found about half an inch from the surface, just to the right of the spine. The condition of the patient, considering the nature of the injury, is satisfactory. From symptoms developed last night it is considered the bullet entered the chest cavity, piercing the lung. The condition of Mr. Wilkinson is not considered to have been materially improved by the extraction of the bullet; but a possible source of irritation has been removed.

TO-DAY.

Sydney Cricket Ground: Championship and Open Tennis Tournament. Gates open 10 a.m.
Y.W.C.A.: Monthly Meeting Central Association, 7.30.
Boer War Biograph: 478 George-street, from 11 a.m., and every hour during the day.
Her Majesty's Theatre: "Queen Elizabeth," 8 p.m.
Theatre Royal: "The Manoeuvres of Jane," 8 p.m.
Lyceum: "The Irishman," 8 p.m.
Criterion Theatre: "Robbery Under Arms," 8 p.m.
Palace Theatre: M'Adoo's Minstrels, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," 8 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre: Mr. Rickards's Company, 7.50 p.m.
Cyclorama and Hall of Illusions: 10 a.m. till 10 p.m.

LATE SHIPPING.

ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: May 3, Cuzco, R.M.S., Nemesis, s., Pilbarra, s., from Melbourne. Departures: May 3, Cuzco, R.M.S., for London; Wilcannia, s., for London, via Natal and Capetown; Hans Wagner, barque, for Broughton Vale; Royal, barque, for New Zealand.

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WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS.

PERTH, Thursday.

Nominations of candidates for the Legislative Council took place to-day. With the exception of Messrs. Parsons and Loton, all the retiring members were nominated for re-election. Sir George Shenton will be opposed by Mr. J. A. Thomson in the metropolitan province. Mr. L. Moss opposes Mr. Congdon. No opponent will contest the South-west Province with Mr. Hackett. Mr. Maley opposes Mr. Crowder in the South-east Province. Mr. Summers, Mayor of Coolgardie, is seeking election for the North-east Province; and Professor Nicholas has entered the lists against him. Mr. Russell, Mayor of Victoria Park, opposes Mr. Dempster for the East Province. For the Central Province Mr. J. M. Drew, of Geraldton, is the only candidate.

H.M.S. Penguin, which is now at Thursday Island, is leaving for the north-west coast to resume survey work.

QUEENSLAND.

USE OF EXPLOSIVES IN MINES.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Last year Mr. Henderson, Government Analyst, was appointed inspector of explosives, the new office having reference to the use of explosives in mines. At the present time the Government has no control over explosives, except such as is given in the Navigation Act. The Government decided to send Mr. Henderson to England to make inquiry into the methods of controlling explosives there generally, with a view to obtaining such information as will enable a bill to be drafted. Mr. Henderson left on Monday last. He will be absent six months.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

To-day the "South Australian Register" sent a further remittance to the Viceroy of India for the sufferers by the famine, making a total forwarded by that paper of £1847.

The military enthusiasm throughout the colony has been made apparent by the fact that over 1300 men have applied to be enrolled in the active forces, and over 20 new rifle clubs have been formed.

The directors of the Copper Top mines near Warrina, in the Far North, are vigorously pushing the development of their properties. A railway siding has been asked for, and the erection of smelters is a matter of a very short time.

OUR TONGA LETTER.

NUKUALOFA, April 20.

A very severe hurricane—or rather cyclone—devastated Vavau on April 2. The tempest commenced with a strong breeze from the N.N.E. at 6.15 p.m. the barometer having then fallen to 29·75in.; by 8.30 the wind was strong and increasing, the barometer 28·99in. The hurricane attained full force at 9.5, barometer 28·74in. It continued at this force until after 10 p.m., the barometer falling all the time gradually to 28·15in. At half-past 10 it was calm; five minutes later it was absolutely calm. The calm lasted for 40 minutes, the barometer still falling, and at length it fell to 28·8 (the lowest reading). By 11.20 the centre of the cyclone had passed, and the wind commenced afresh, blowing from the S.S.W. The barometer was now rising, but the wind increased until at 11.50 p.m. it was again at its height, but much stronger than it had blown from the N.N.E. The barometer at 11.50 read 28·25in. The hurricane was at full strength till 1.50 a.m., the barometer having risen to 29·12in. By half-past 2 the wind was abating, and by 3 o'clock there was only a light breeze blowing, with the barometer at 29·30in.

Government buildings, the two large churches, and many houses and stores were utterly destroyed—some of them blown clean away, not a trace of them being left. It is not necessary to tell your readers that a barometer does not fall to 28in. without something happening. When daylight came and people could get about, the expression used commonly was "My goodness, what a havoc." During the storm all had to remain under what cover they could get, for cocoanuts, sheets of iron, whole roofs and sides of houses, were flying about just like feathers in the air. Of course, where so many buildings were utterly destroyed, all that remained were more or less injured, and the traders have lost heavily through their goods being damaged. It is the opinion of many that it will require from three to four years for the cocoanut trees to recuperate; but perhaps this is an extreme view.

On April 9 H.M.S. Porpoise arrived from Fiji, with his Excellency the Special Commissioner from the Court at St. James to his Majesty the King of Tonga. Visits of ceremony were made and returned, and presents from her Majesty Queen Victoria delivered with many pleasant words to Tubou. The Porpoise is now away with his Excellency at Vavau, en route for Niue (Savage Island), and is expected back here within a week, when the Special Commissioner will make a longer stay with us. The Special Commissioner's business here and at Niue is relative to the Anglo-German Convention, regarding Samoa, Tonga, and other islands. Whatever may take place, it goes without saying that Great Britain's intentions towards Tonga are most friendly, and neither the King nor the Government has any fear as to Great Britain breaking her engagements as to the annexation of these islands.

It is a "far cry" from Tonga to South Africa; but far removed as the seat of war may be, a ripple of patriotic feeling has reached this far-away land, and a few British subjects—about a score—subscribed upwards of £60 the other day at the British Consulate towards the Lord Mayor of London's Patriotic Fund. This amount has been since augmented to £103, and doubtless this sum will be supplemented by subscriptions from Haabai, although, under the circumstances, much cannot be expected from Vavau.

Outside the usual monthly steamer there is no shipping to report. Two schooners are long overdue from the Niuas.

THE QUARRY AT PORT KEMBLA.

VISIT OF MR. DARLEY.

FAVOURABLE OPINION OF THE QUARRY.

WOLLONGONG, Thursday.

Mr. Cecil Darley (Engineer-in-Chief for Harbours and Rivers), with Messrs. J. W. Grimshaw and T. W. Keele (assistant engineers), has visited the quarry at Port Kembla. Mr. Darley has expressed himself well pleased with the stone and the appearance of the quarry generally; and also states that although practically only an outcrop has as yet been touched, the quality of the rock was improving very much with every blast. He found blocks of from 10 to 12 tons lying in the quarry while on his visit of inspection. The obtaining of such large blocks at so early a stage of excavation he considered very good, and it gave hopeful prospects of much larger blocks being got further on in the working. The indications were favourable towards finding blocks of any size that might be required for the breakwater. Although the stone was columnar in formation, as at Kiama, he hoped, judging by the appearance of the quarry, that columns would be found in very massive bulk as the work proceeded. He had decided to have the quarry workings lowered 15ft. below the present level. That would bring the bottom of the quarry down to the bed of the bluestone formation, and would expose the whole of that stratum. In opening the trial workings he did not deem this advisable, but now that the higher level gave such good indications he was going to have the working lowered to the base of the rock. The lowering of the quarry working to 15ft. below the present level would result in producing an easier grade along the embankment, while the quarry end of the embankment would be lowered 15ft. By this means and by raising the northward continuation, an easy grade would be produced. The embankment would also be widened from its present dimension. In his opinion the stone was likely to improve in quality in a south-westerly direction from the present quarter rather than in a south-easterly direction. It was his intention, therefore, to have the working out more in the former than in the latter direction, unless future indications were unfavourable to this plan. He was confirmed in his previous opinion that the only way to properly ascertain the real quality of the stone was by cutting a face into the hill, as was now being done. The test shafts that had been sunk gave the height and depth of the stone, but were unreliable as to the size of the blocks—a most important matter in connection with harbour construction. Not alone was he well satisfied with the stone so far, but the work of quarrying was being carried out well and to his entire satisfaction in every respect.

THE WAR.

GALLANT DEFENCE OF MAFEKING.

DESPERATE ASSAULT BY THE BOERS.

THE GARRISON REPELS THE ATTACK.

ATTEMPT TO SEND IN FOOD SUPPLIES.

DEFEATED BY THE BOERS

THE BESIEGED IN NEED OF FOOD.

ADVANCE OF LORD ROBERTS' FORCES.

THE BOERS ARE DRIVEN BACK.

A SYMPATHETIC KING.

EULOGY OF THE COLONIAL FORCES.

LONDON, May 2.

It is reported from Mafeking that the garrison is making desperate efforts to catch a swarm of locusts for food.

May 3.

Commandant Snyman on April 11 with five guns attacked Mafeking, dropping 30 shells into the women's *laager* and the hospital.

He deliberately attempted to pierce the women's bomb-proof shelters. A large force, which included Germans, advanced towards the fort. The Mafeking garrison waited for the enemy to approach, and then suddenly fired a volley, killing five of the enemy and dispersing the remainder.

The duration of the siege is a question of food. The bread-ration has been reduced to 4oz. daily.

Colonel Plumer on April 13 attempted to send some natives with cattle for the support of the garrison. The besiegers killed two of the natives, wounded five, and captured the herd. After the wounded were questioned their throats were cut.

A 94-pounder Boer gun fired 1567 rounds, equal to 78 tons of iron.

THE RETREATING BOERS.

BRITISH IN PURSUIT.

LONDON, May 2.

The escaping Boer commandoes are driving before them great herds of cattle and flocks of sheep, and have hundreds of waggons loaded with forage.

The British are making strenuous efforts to intercept Commandant De Wet's retreat to Winburg.

Commandant Olivier was wounded in the leg during the fighting at Wepener.

ADVANCE OF THE BRITISH FORCES.

BOER LINES PUSHED BACK.

LONDON, May 3.

Lieutenant-General Pole-Carew has gone north.

The advance of the British troops in the direction of Brandfort has been accentuated. Major-General Wavell has started from Karee, as well as Major-General Bruce Hamilton from Glen Camp, on the Modder River, and Major-General Maxwell from Krantz Kraal, accompanied by four batteries and two 4.7 guns, also some field guns. The Boers were pushed back along their whole line.

Field Marshal Lord Roberts is leaving no horses or forage outside the British camps.

GENERAL HAMILTON'S OPERATIONS.

LONDON, May 2.

Lieut.-General Ian Hamilton was on Saturday on the point of capturing a considerable force of the enemy near Thaba'nchu, when the arrival of strong reinforcements compelled the British to retreat.

Lieut.-General Ian Hamilton has expelled the Boers from Houtnek, 10 miles north of Thaba'nchu.

COLONIAL CASUALTIES IN GENERAL HAMILTON'S FORCE.

LONDON May 2.

Amongst the casualties in Lieut.-General Ian Hamilton's force on the 30th of April at Houtnek were the following members of the Victoria Mounted Infantry:—Sergeant Pearse, slightly wounded; Lieutenant Lilley, wounded in the head and taken prisoner. Missing: Private Coughlan, Sergeant J. Ready. The latter is believed to have been wounded.

MESSAGE FROM KING OSCAR OF SWEDEN.

SYMPATHISES WITH GREAT BRITAIN.

TRIBUTE TO THE COLONIAL TROOPS.

LONDON, May 3.

King Oscar of Sweden, who has arrived in London, has authorised the "Express" to publish the following:—"Tell Great Britain that my sympathies and hopes are with you. The Empire will derive great good out of evil. Good has already sprung from the reverses, namely, the magnificent support of the colonies and the splendid fighting of their troops, proving you to be good colonisers, and also the justice of your cause."

THE CONDUCT OF THE WAR.

A MINISTERIAL OPINION.

LONDON, May 2.

Mr. William St. J. Brodrick, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, speaking at Portsmouth last night, declared that no war had been conducted with so much satisfaction to the nation, or with fewer mistakes than the present campaign.

MOVEMENTS OF SIR FREDERICK CARRINGTON.

LONDON, May 3.

Sir Frederick Carrington, who will command the Rhodesian division, which will mainly consist of Australian Bushmen, has arrived at Marandellas, in Rhodesia.

Some of the Australian Bushmen have arrived at Salisbury.

AWARD OF THE VICTORIA CROSS.

LONDON, May 2.

Major Hornby, a son of Admiral Hornby, has been recommended for the Victoria Cross for gallantry in defending guns at Sannah-post.

DEATHS OF AUSTRALIAN VOLUNTEERS.

LONDON, May 2.

Private Ransley, of the Australian Mounted Infantry Brigade, died at Sterkstrom, from enteric fever. Private Whinfield, of the N.S.W. Infantry, has died of dysentery at Bloemfontein.

[Included in a detachment of New South Wales Mounted Rifles was Private E. H. Ransley.]

ACCIDENT TO PRIVATE KEEBLE.

LONDON, May 3.

Private Keeble, of the Victorian Infantry, fell at Hout-nek and broke his arm.

MORE PRISONERS FOR ST. HELENA.

LONDON, May 2.

A thousand more Boer prisoners have reached St. Helena.

ARRIVAL OF A NEW ZEALAND CONTINGENT AT BEIRA.

LONDON, May 3.

The steamer Monowai, with a New Zealand Contingent on board, has arrived at Beira.

THE SITUATION.

CONDUCT OF THE CAMPAIGN.

In the course of a speech at Portsmouth Mr. Broderick declared that no war had been conducted with so much satisfaction to the nation and with less mistakes than the present campaign. The statement, it will be observed, involves a comparison, and does not imply that everything has been perfectly managed since the beginning of last October. On the contrary, the Government acknowledged in the Imperial Parliament that mistakes had been made, and that strenuous efforts were being made to rectify them. The list of charges that have been levelled against the authorities in connection with the campaign embody almost all, if not all, the points of military administration and practical generalship. From time to time it was asserted, either in the English press or on the public platform, that at the outset arrangements were made for the equipment of an inadequate field force; that even then the equipment was imperfect, and that the force was wrongly composed, the most essential arms of the service not being properly represented—artillery and cavalry or mounted infantry. Our field-guns were alleged to be outranged by those of the enemy, and very small provision was made for so-called guns of position, some of which General Buller had to take over pontoons on the Tugela and drag through the neks and kloofs and around the treacherous krantz formations of central Natal. Against the service rifles there was a formidable array of indictments, defective sighting being perhaps the most serious. The lack of transport waggons was another complaint. If any further charges against the organisation of the army for South Africa are conceivable, it is quite possible they have been made. As to the generalship, the complaint was that our infantry was thrown against impregnable positions in impossible frontal attacks; that battalions were led into death-traps owing to insufficient scouting; that the plan of campaign which made Natal the principal sphere of operations, and neglected to deliver a counter-stroke to the Boer invasion of that colony by the invasion of the Orange Free State, was a mistake. It is at all events, despite the criticisms passed upon the War Office and generals, a noteworthy fact that the Under-Secretary of State is in a position to declare the conduct of the war has been more free from mistakes than any in which Great Britain was previously engaged.

ADVANCING NORTHWARD.

The British advance is being pushed northward. A strong force is moving along the railway line towards Brandfort. The period of what, from the public standpoint, may be regarded as inactivity has come to an end. That is to say, all the arduous work of army equipment and organisation has been completed, and a big movement has begun in the Free State. General Pole-Carew has gone north, Major-General Wavell (who belongs to General Tucker's division) has started from Karee, and an important movement has commenced from Glen. Major-General Maxwell is at Krantz Kraal and has also started towards Brandfort. The advancing force has a strong accompaniment of artillery, consisting of four batteries with two 4·7 guns. The enemy along its whole front appears to have drawn back. That is the most important development in connection with the war. Brandfort is about 37 miles north-west of Bloemfontein, which is about 20 miles south of the Vet River, where resistance will certainly be met unless all previous British and Boer reports in regard to expected operations have been altogether wrong.

This northward movement does not appear to have much connection with the efforts to entrap the Boers who were operating in the south-eastern districts of the State. They have nearly all escaped, and are now able to drive before them the booty they obtained during their raid. They have waggon loads of forage, flocks of sheep, and herds of cattle which will be of the utmost utility later on if at once sent to the Transvaal. We are informed by the correspondents that Major-General Hamilton expelled the enemy from Hout Nek, about 10 miles north of Thaba'nchu. It is improbable that any commando would be placed at Hout Nek with the intention of holding it permanently. The position is too isolated. All the appearances are that, as was reported some time ago, the Boers will feint a stand at Brandfort, and then endeavour to defend the Vet River. That plan was announced to be the result of a conference of commandants, and it is borne out by the fact that our reconnaissances have shown that the number of Boers laagered at Brandfort does not exceed 2000. The Boers seem satisfied to retire to their main lines—to some point where they will strongly oppose Lord Roberts—and the British appear to be satisfied with being able to capture the abandoned territory. It does look as if the burghers know well how to make a running fight, and that the whole of their commandoes, which appear suddenly in the most unexpected localities, are working on a general plan, and with a perfect knowledge of the movements of the British troops. Just as it was thought a further advance would take place from Glen, so it is reasonable to conclude that Lieutenant Colvile's division will soon be heard of, and by the time our outposts have been pushed to Brandfort we may see the whole of Lord Roberts's immediate command on the move.

Whilst the advance is taking place along the railway line, it is stated that strenuous efforts are being made to intercept Commandant De Wet, who is retreating to Winburg, which is 20 miles east of the main Free State railway, and is connected with it by a branch line. It is pretty certain that De Wet will not run the risk of going to Brandfort, but there is nothing to prevent him striking a more easterly course; and if he cannot reach Winburg by a direct line owing to the advanced position occupied by portion of General Tucker's division, he may go to Winburg by a circuitous route. If strenuous efforts are now being made to intercept Commandant De Wet, how is it something was not done a week ago, when he was 50 miles in the British rear—when some commandoes were still farther south?

MAFEKING.

The news from Mafeking is very bad. General Snyman, no doubt exasperated by the stubbornness of the British resistance, is conducting the siege with savagery. On April 11 he dropped 30 shells into the women's laager and hospital, and he deliberately attempted to pierce the women's bomb-proof shelters. Baden-Powell has indicated to the besiegers the localities in which the women and the hospitals are situated. They fly distinguishing flags and are well removed from the positions where the garrison is located. It is impossible for the Boers to plead ignorance of what they are doing. Indeed, they reply, when charged with breaking the rules of warfare, that the hospitals are thought to contain troops. Anything at all events must be good enough as an excuse for the tactics of savages races. Colonel Plumer tried to send a herd of cattle into the town in charge of some natives on April 13. The Boers captured the herd after shooting two and wounding three of the natives, and, having questioned the wounded men, cut their throats. To add further to the dismal accounts of the sufferings of the people in Mafeking it is reported that the garrison is making desperate efforts to catch a swarm of locusts for food. The Rhodesian force is gradually concentrating, but as we have already expressed the opinion unless a portion of the 100,000 men who are in Cape Colony and the Free State can be despatched to relieve the garrison the efforts of the Rhodesian force can only be successful after Mafeking has been reduced to an extremity which it is not pleasant to contemplate.

THE PATRIOTIC FUND.

The hon. treasurers, Messrs. J. Russell French and F. A. Dibbs, advise:—

Amount previously advised		£37,600 6 8
Lodge Prince Leopold No. 87 (Masonic), Grafton ...		1 1 0
Per Neate Brothers, Blackheath, first instalment—		
"A.M.B.," by Mrs. Laws ...	£1 0 0	
"A.M.B.," by Miss Phoebe Dawson	1 10 7	
"A.M.B.," by Miss Phoebe Dawson, at Rifle Co.'s concert	1 15 8	
"A.M.B.," by Mr. Robyn ...	0 6 3	
"A.M.B.," by Miss Best ...	2 0 5	
		6 12 11
"A.M.B.," by Frank Neale, at Neville ...		0 13 8
"A.M.B." at annual meeting Concord Golf Club ...		1 0 0
Collected by proprietors "Barraba News"		1 10 0
Vivienne's "Sunday Times" Children's Penny Patriotic Fund, 16th instalment		25 0 0
"A.M.B.," by Miss Alice Berry, at Aberdeen		1 0 6
Proceeds of bazaar by pupils and teachers Balmain College, March 31 and April 2, per Miss C. L. Murphy		17 10 7
Proceeds demonstration friendly societies and fire brigades, Granville ...		6 9 0
"A.M.B." at Swimming Carnival, Granville Presbyterian Sunday school ...		1 8 1
Contributions from Stamping Room, Stamp Office		1 0 0
Women's Patriotic Fund, per Mrs. Jonsen—Proceeds of Concert St. John's Institute (for Glebe Branch) ...		6 18 6
"A.M.B." at Smoke Concert and Inverell Half-holiday Association ...		3 12 0
Laurieton Branch Patriotic Fund, further subscriptions—		
Proceeds of ball at Laurieton	6 1 1	
Joseph Laurie, R. Longworth, W. A. Callow, John Longworth, J. E. Butler, each 10s	2 10 0	
Sums under 10s	0 17 6	
		9 8 7
Lodge Riverstone, G.U.O.O.F.		0 10 0
Taree and Lower Manning Branch Patriotic Fund—Taree List—		
Dr. Gormley, T. B. Boyce, L. O. Martin, each £1 1s ...	3 3 0	
T. Dickson	1 0 0	
Jno. Thomson, C. H. Wright, C. Boyce, S. T. Lean, W. Fotheringham, each 10s 6d	2 12 6	
W. Armstrong, H. Beeston, J. Carter, A. Mackenzie, each 10s	2 0 0	
Amounts under 10s	2 4 6	
Balance of "Send-off" ...	1 10 0	
Dredge service, Manning River—		
First monthly levy ...	1 15 6	
Second monthly levy ...	1 12 9	
Proceeds of Concert at Croki, per T. H. A. Chapman ...	8 0 0	
"A.M.B.," by J. H. Gregson, at Concert	4 5 2	
Taree Estate list, per Miss Beford, amounts under 10s	3 7 6	
Harrington and Crowdy List, per W. C. Reading—		
W. C. Reading	1 1 0	
J. Hedges	1 0 0	
Amounts under 10s	6 17 6	
Dumaresq Island and Cundletown List, per Miss Levick—		
Amounts under 10s	5 8 6	
Redbank List, per G. B. Morris—		
Mrs. M'Cartney	0 10 0	
R. Hawkins	0 11 0	
Amounts under 10s	5 5 6	
Tinonee List, per Captain H. Gollan—		
Captain H. Gollan	1 0 0	
Rev. S. F. Stewart	1 0 0	
John Gollan, sen.	0 10 0	
Amounts under 10s	2 15 0	
		50 0 0
(Balance in hand, £7 15s 5d).		
Collected at Bank of New South Wales, Tenterfield		3 3 0
		£37,736 9 6

THE QUEENSLAND FUND.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The Queensland Patriotic Fund amounts to £21,133, and the Bushmen's Fund to £9620.

THE FIRST BUSHMEN'S CONTINGENT.

The following amount has been credited to the above fund:—

Previously acknowledged	£31,863 0 0
Bank of New South Wales, Tenterfield (list 105)	
W. F. Everett...	2 2 0
	£31,865 2 0

THE THIRD CONTINGENT.

There are yet 270 men belonging to the Third Contingent in camp at Rookwood. The number during the week has diminished by about 50 or 60, some of these men having found situations, others have gone back to their homes, whilst nearly a score have paid their passages to South Africa to try and see some fighting. Those in camp are still intent on hanging on while there is any hope at all of getting to the front, and proof of this was amply shown yesterday when Captain Nisseigh asked how many were prepared to join the Royal Australian Artillery (permanent men) at 2s 3d per diem pay. Only 26 offered their services. Asked again if they were willing to enlist in a permanent infantry regiment if it were established, about 80 to 90 per cent. replied in the affirmative. The expense of maintaining this body of men has been referred to several times. By the time it is finished the cost will be considerable. Each private gets his 15s 9d per week, with quarters and rations provided, and the expenditure reaches at present about £300 to £350 per week. In return the country has a body of 300 infantrymen, highly trained, well disciplined, accustomed to camp life, and above all, keenly anxious to show their stamina and mettle. From indications it is apparent that their services will not be required in the meantime. It had been intended to give them instruction in horse-riding as soon as the Bushmen departed there being some 50 rejected horses in camp; but it transpires that there only seven girths and about 30 old saddles available, so that for the present the proposal has been abandoned.

Yesterday morning the men were exercised in battalion drill, the regiment for the time being divided into six companies. In the afternoon company drill was the order. The officers at present in camp are:—Lieutenant-Colonel Oldershaw, O.C. 1st Regiment, in command; Captain J. W. Nisseigh, 7th Regiment, second in charge; Captain J. L. Mullins, 8th Regiment, acting Adjutant; Captain F. W. C. Crane, 7th Regiment, acting quartermaster; Lieutenant G. L. Mullins and Dr. Charles Maher, medical officers; Lieutenants J. G. Tedder, 3rd Regiment, Penrith, commands A Company, with Lieutenant J. A. M. Thompson, 4th Regiment, as his second. B Company is commanded by Lieutenant Lotts, 1st Regiment, with Lieutenant Heery as second. Captain P. L. Murray, 1st Regiment, is in charge of C Company.

A board, consisting of Lieutenant-Colonel Oldershaw, Lieutenants R. J. Beauman and W. J. Brown, yesterday examined and reported upon the tents recently in use by the Bushmen. With few exceptions the tents were in good order, considering the wear and tear they had received.

No instructions have been given regarding the removal of the camp. It was anticipated that a move nearer to Sydney would have been made ere this to give the men facilities for rifle shooting at Randwick rifle range. Each soldier is in possession of a M.E. rifle, but has had little or no opportunities for practising with it.

LYDDITE FOR THE CAMPAIGN.

The steamer Oriel, which left the East India Docks, London, on March 23, carried amongst her cargo 10,000 rounds of Lyddite shell.

A CABLE FROM MAFEKING.

"ALL WELL" TWELVE DAYS AGO.

MOLONG, Thursday.

A cable has just been received from Edward Hunt, brother of Mr. G. M. Hunt, of Molong, stating that all was well at Mafeking 12 days ago. The cable was sent by runner from Mafeking to Ootsi.

RELIEF FOR WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL HECTOR MACDONALD'S ADVICE.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

Lieutenant-General Hector Macdonald, now in general command of the Highland forces in South Africa, has forwarded to the Wellington Caledonian Society an acknowledgment of the receipt of subscriptions recently forwarded to him which had been collected by the society for the benefit of the sick or wounded members of Highland brigades. Lieutenant-General Macdonald, in the course of his acknowledgment, said:—"The sick and wounded are amply provided with every comfort, and any extras they may fancy are always forthcoming; indeed, hardly any wish is left ungratified. I would, therefore, suggest that the money be expended in aid of procuring artificial limbs for wounded soldiers, and towards the support of the wounded and sick soldiers while out of employment after being discharged."

WAR LETTERS.

PRIVATE W. S. RICH.

INTERESTING EXPERIENCES.

TRAMPING ACROSS THE VELDT.

SWOPPING MULES FOR HORSES.

WELCOMED AT BLOEMFONTEIN.

Private W. S. Rich, of the New South Wales Mounted Infantry, writing from Bloemfontein under date of March 17 to his father, Mr. W. M. Rich, of Mount Victoria, says:—"My last letter was written from Poplar Grove. The day before we left there someone took my horse out to graze and forgot to bring him back, consequently when we had to proceed I was forced to stay, and had to do the hobnail express alongside the transport waggons, which meant walking the whole time. I got pretty tired of that, especially as the fellows on ahead were in a small battle with the enemy, and had six wounded and one killed. Our men got up to within 500 yards of the Boers, and managed to kill a good many of them. So the next day, when we were on our way I asked the adjutant if I might leave the convoy for awhile to look for a horse. He gave me permission, and early in the afternoon I went over to a farmhouse where some horses were and tried to catch one, but they were all too wild. After fooling about for a couple of hours I thought it would be as well to go back; but when I came to look for the convoy it was not to be seen, so I thought I would make a short cut across a kopje and head it off. When I got on the top of the kopje, however, the only convoy I could see was one about seven miles across the veldt. I started to tramp towards it. On the way I saw plenty of hares and deer, but could not shoot them, as I had left my rifle on the waggon. About 8 o'clock that night I came up to the convoy I had seen across the veldt, and found that instead of being the one I had been with it belonged to the First Brigade, which always keeps ahead of ours. The Australian Horse were with it, so I found them out and got hold of a Sydney pressman and asked him if he could put me on to something to eat. He very kindly gave me some of his own tea, which was stewed deer and a cup of coffee and some biscuits. He also gave me a blanket for the night, and I found it very acceptable, as the nights over here are very cold. The next morning they started away at daybreak and I had some breakfast which they left, and thought I would wait a couple of hours to see if my own convoy would catch up. It did not; but whilst I was sitting down an English officer rode up with a man behind him leading two horses. One was no good, but the other a first-rate one. There were two mules beside me, and he said he would 'swop the horses for the mules.' I was, of course, quite willing, so we made the exchange. (The mules had nothing to do with me, mind you, but in this country one must not be too particular about 'mine and thine.') So there I was with two horses. The bad one I let go, and rode the other without saddle or bridle. About four hours later I fell in with the convoy which carries material for putting up the telegraph line, and found a New Zealander and two Queenslanders in the same plight as myself. So we kept together, and during the day I came across a saddle on a horse which was knocked up and had been left. That night I again found the Australian Horse and camped with them, and they supplied me with tucker. The same night our artillery was bombarding the Boers in the kopjes outside Bloemfontein, and they all got away as fast as possible. I was within 400 yards of a Boer 'pom-pom,' not thinking it was other than British; but when I found out I soon made myself scarce, because I had no rifle, otherwise I should have had a pop at them, as there were only eight men with it. Next morning Lord Roberts occupied the city, and I was the first of my regiment to enter it. All the English people were nearly mad with joy, and were standing drinks and spending money freely. I had not a penny, but still I got all I wanted, and a first-rate feed of ham and eggs, and coffee and bread and butter into the bargain. As I was standing wondering where I should look for the regiment a man came up and said, 'Come and stay with me; I will give you a bed, feed you, and give you forage for your horse as long as you are to remain in the city.' That will give you a pretty good idea of the feelings of the English people resident here. I, of course, went with him, and the next day start d out to find the regiment. I could get no news of them, and as I suddenly felt very seedy I made back to my host of the night, and stayed all day and night with him. Next day I went out searching again, and had the good luck to find Lieutenant Newman, of our squadron. I went out with him, and immediately I arrived was put under arrest for being absent with leave for five days. So next morning I was brought up before the captain, and I told him all about it, and he simply told me it must not occur again, and let me off with the warning. I believe we are to stay here at least a fortnight, and perhaps longer, to give the horses a rest, which they badly require. We have only about half our own horses now, the rest we picked up as we came."

LETTER FROM PRETORIA.

The following is a copy of a letter received at Bloemfontein towards the end of March by one of the Lancer troopers from one of the men captured at Rensburg:—"Wat-rval, Pretoria, February 7, 1900. Dear Charlie,—Just a line to let you know that I am still in the land of the living and in the best of health, as I hope this will find you and the rest of the boys. All our boys here are quite well. Roberts has not come up yet. I suppose he is still in hospital. We have not heard how Mr. Dowling was since the day we were captured. I hope Dooley got my letter which I wrote from Bloemfontein. I gave him all the news in it. Good-bye for the present. Kindly remember me to all the boys. Hoping very soon to hear from you. From your affectionate friend, ARTHUR DALEY. Write soon."

This letter (our special war correspondent at Bloemfontein, A. B. Paterson, states) is scribbled all over, inside and out, with Dutch initials and postmarks, and has evidently run the gauntlet of a good many officials before it was allowed to leave Pretoria. No doubt you have heard in Australia by this time that the men are all well except Roberts, and there is no reason to suppose he was at all seriously hurt. By the way, talking of serious injuries, Trooper Palmer, of the 1st Australian Horse, who was hurt at Poplar Grove, has not been heard from lately. We all made light of the matter at the time, as it didn't seem to trouble Palmer at all, but latest reports make the matter very serious. It is to be hoped he will pull through. He was a fine stamp of a trooper, plucky, a great horseman, and as strong as a little bull. He actually shoved a horse into the trucks at a station by putting his head in between its hind legs and shoving it in with his shoulders.

PRIVATE J. H. PARROTT, A.M.C.

Private Jack H. Parrott, Mounted Bearer Company of New South Wales Army Medical Corps, writing from Bloemfontein, under date March 21, to a friend in Sydney, says:—"I have not had any spare time since our march from Modder River to Bloemfontein. We had a rough time. We were nine days and nights in the saddle, and have been in three actions. The Mounted Infantry had eight or nine wounded and some of the horses shot, and in another they had one man killed and four or five wounded, including two officers. The man that was shot was standing about 10 paces from me. He was shot through the heart. Another mounted bearer and I were with him when he died. The same day the adjutant of Kitchener's Horse was killed—shot through the heart. Most of our wounded were shot through the arms and legs."

PRIVATE C. BROWN.

Private C. Brown, one of the second contingent of New South Wales Mounted Infantry, writing to his parents at Liverpool from Bloemfontein, under date March 17, says:—"We left Modder River about two weeks ago, and were not long before we had a go at the enemy. About 300 of us attacked about 11,000 Boers, and we were under fire for nearly five hours, the bullets falling round about us like hailstones. The next day we had another engagement at Osfontein, but we soon got rid of the enemy. We had some hard fighting at Driefontein, and killed a terrible lot of Boers."

We are requested to state that the letter from Belmont from a member of the Queensland Mounted Infantry published on Wednesday was from Captain Chauvel.

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THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

LONG LIST OF PATIENTS.

FOUR DEATHS.

Yesterday's list of cases of bubonic plague is a long one, but it should be mentioned that the whole of them were not discovered on that day. As a fact there were only four cases which rightly belong to yesterday. The others were reported very late on Wednesday night, and were not officially registered until yesterday morning. They will, when added to those published in yesterday's issue, make Wednesday the heaviest day since the outbreak began. The names not previously published are as follow:—Lillie Conyers, 4, of Redfern; William Henry Walters, 9, of Annandale; Thomas Stockdale, 35, of Manly; Matthew Crowther, 16, of the city; Harry Hall, 22, of Marrickville; Kate Henderson, 49, of Paddington; Andrew Burgland, 30, of the city; Julia Breen, 8, of the city; and Charles Mackenzie, 17, of Paddington. In addition to these word was received yesterday at the Health Department of the death of a man near Hunter's Hill from a complaint which was considered suspicious. A post-mortem examination of the remains was held yesterday, when the complaint was found to be true plague. The latter piece of information did not, however, come to hand until very late in the day, and the full name of the deceased could not be ascertained. The body will be buried to-day. Lillie Conyers was a niece of the deceased patient, Alice Lawler, who died at her home on Monday, as she was too ill to be removed to quarantine. The little patient was removed on Monday as a "contact," and the disease was discovered after her removal.

Three deaths occurred during yesterday—Margaret Whitehead and Thomas Stockdale at the Quarantine Hospital, and Mary Hogan at the isolation cottage of the Sydney Hospital. This patient went to the hospital for treatment on Wednesday, and was at once placed in the cottage. She was too ill to be removed, and died there yesterday afternoon. Then there is the patient mentioned above as having died at one of the small places on the Parramatta River.

Dr. Salter, in his daily report from the Quarantine Hospital, gives a number of particulars relating to the patients under his charge. Several of them are in a serious condition, one is mentioned as worse, another is said not to have been conscious for 12 hours, several have very high fever, and the pulse in others is weak. The older patients are, however, doing well, and at least one of those who for the past few days has been mentioned as in a serious condition is spoken of as being better. The patient at Glenfield is pretty well; the one at Ballina does not show any sign of improvement.

A good proportion of the work yesterday in the Engine and Thomas streets quarantined area of the city was devoted to pulling down outbuildings which were in contravention of the Building Act. It was expected that work would be finished last night, but the evening saw it still unfinished. In the Miller's Point area the work may be said to have been completed, though a little still remains to be done.

Complaints are being made by men that they have gone to the headquarters of the cleansing work in search of employment, but have been unable to obtain audience of Mr. M'Credie, who is in charge. Yesterday a large crowd of men waited for a long time in the hope of getting employment. Mr. M'Credie, when spoken to last night on the subject, said that men are being sent to him with letters from members of Parliament, and others, but he cannot engage any more hands, as he has his full complement. It is impossible for him to find work for every one who applies, and moreover, it would be unfair to dispense with the services of men who accepted employment at the beginning of the cleansing operations, when there was considerable to be an element of personal risk attached to work in what was believed to be the infected area. These men are now trained, and know what is required of them. They have become proficient, and it would be unfair, in Mr. M'Credie's opinion, to dispense with them for the sake of putting on new men.

A new area was proclaimed last night, this time in Redfern. The boundaries given in the proclamation are: Redfern-street, Morehead-street, Philip-street, and Elizabeth-street. It is, however, improbable, that work will be commenced in it until Monday, as to-day will be the only full day on which the men will be engaged, and it will be unfair to restrict the freedom of movement of the residents for an extra day.

Included in the manifest of the R.M.S. Rome are four cases of vaccine consigned to the Government of this colony. The Rome will arrive in port in all probability about noon to-day.

The total number of rats burned yesterday at the incinerator was 916, an increase of nearly 100 on the previous day's record. The total for the week will be considerably more than double that of the previous week. The new incinerating furnace will be in working order on Monday.

THE CITIZENS' VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.

A general meeting of the Citizens' Vigilance Committee was held last night at the Town Hall.

The chairman (Alderman Dr. Graham) reported that the executive had carried out all instructions given to it by the committee so far as possible. The Premier had promised co-operation, and furnished the committee with a first-class assistant secretary. The sympathy of business people with the action of the committee was general. Up to the present the executive had worked with the municipalities in a most harmonious way, and the town clerk of Sydney had given the committee every assistance.

Mr. J. J. Cohen, M.L.A., hon. secretary, said since last Saturday 35 complaints had been forwarded to the Sydney City Council, 27 to the Board of Health, 5 to the Water and Sewerage Board, 2 to the Public Instruction Department, 2 to the Railway Commissioners and 1 to an insurance company. In all cases the executive had withheld the names of informants. The executive had had proof that the complaints made to the City Council had been attended to in several instances.

Messrs. J. G. Griffin (member of the Water and Sewerage Board), Alexander Bruce (Chief Inspector of Stock), and Daniel Campbell (sanitary engineer) were added to the executive committee.

The chairman asked all present to co-operate in securing representative attendances at the sectional meetings to be held on Monday evening and on Wednesday evening. Ladies were invited in all instances. The business was in each case to form a branch of the Citizen's Vigilance Committee. The audiences at the meetings should consist mainly of the residents in the respective districts, because they could most ably assist in carrying out necessary work in each locality.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. R. H. Sprigg, seconded by Mr. Lee,—"That it is desirable that one representative of each electorate be elected by local committees to sit on the executive committee." The meeting also agreed that the sectional committees should be formed as large as was desired in each locality. Each sectional committee should elect an executive of five, one of whom should sit on the central executive, and the whole five should be on the central general committee.

The chairman said the deputation to the Premier had not had the courage to ask him to grant 6d per head for captured fleas. (Laughter.) If that had been granted he thought all people would forsake their lawful occupations to go flea-catching. (Laughter.) As to the rats, the committee had to find out where rats existed. That being done, the Premier had promised to see men were put on to destroy them. In one case where the executive put a man on to a rat-infested cellar the man caught 92 rats in one night. The Water and Sewerage Board was considering what it could do to meet the wishes of the committee in regard to setting aside a night for rat extermination in the sewers. As soon as the board had decided on a course it would communicate with the executive, and the executive would make the matter public.

CONFERENCE OF COUNCILS.

GARBAGE DESTRUCTION.

A conference of aldermanic representatives from the boroughs of Strathfield, Burwood, Enfield, and Concord was held last night at the council chamber, Burwood. Alderman A. G. Ralston (Mayor of Burwood) presided, and there were present Aldermen T. F. H. Mackenzie (Mayor of Strathfield), Parsons, Correy, Thompson, Sheppard, Chapman (Mayor of Concord), Cardew, and Archer. An apology was received from the Enfield Council.

Alderman Ralston announced the objects of the gathering. The question of garbage destruction was, he thought, very important. The councils of Ashfield, Petersham, and Leichhardt had united in getting a destructor erected at Lewisham. These boroughs, being larger and wealthier, could safely adopt such a course, but the matter would need to be well discussed and all questions of cost and the amount of garbage contributed by the four boroughs now called together thoroughly considered before definite action was taken.

Alderman J. H. Cardew said that he had been long impressed with the fact that there was a necessity to adopt some more effectual means of dealing with garbage. It might be assumed that at present there was not sufficient garbage from the four boroughs to necessitate the construction of a large destructor. Incineration had been proved to be the only way to effectually deal with the matter. Burial of it was a failure. Covering garbage up did not do away with the evil. Foul invisible gases emanated for years from the buried garbage. All tips were necessarily unhealthy. The efficiency of a destructor consisted in the amount of heat generated and the absence of dust and noxious gases. Dust from the stacks had long baffled experimenters, but recent improvements in destructors had largely conquered the trouble. Gases and dust generated were now taken through boilers wherein the dust was removed and the gases subjected to such alteration that they were rendered innocuous. Destructors were an expensive matter, and their financial success depended on the amount of garbage consumed. He had considered a proposal to erect a garbage destructor of four cells at a cost of £650. This would be able to deal with 30 tons per week at a cost of 2s 6d per load. The question could be dealt with under three heads—first, the construction of a destructor by the councils as a joint body; second, the adoption of a contract system; third, by inducing the Government to erect destructors. Personally he was opposed to the latter method. He did not think the Government should be asked to erect destructors, and gave several reasons for opposing such a course.

A report upon the garbage destructor in course of erection at Lewisham was given by Mr. G. B. Southwick, the Burwood overseer.

After a discussion, to which all the aldermen present contributed, it was decided,—"That proposals be invited for the erection of a destructor suitable for the requirements of the four municipalities, such proposals to include cost of site."

It was also decided,—"That Aldermen Cardew (Burwood), Thompson (Concord), Kent (Strathfield), and Hodson (Enfield) be a committee to consider the proposals and report to a subsequent meeting."

The Mayor of Burwood was thanked for calling the meeting.

It was decided not to support the proposal emanating from the Annandale Council to induce the Government to erect garbage destructors.

A COUNCIL INSPECTION.

In consequence of a drastic report by an officer of the Department of Health upon a portion of the municipality of Ashfield, wherein reference to alleged insanitary conditions was made, and to which the council's officers had given an emphatic denial, the councillors in a body yesterday inspected the place complained of. Steps are to be taken to communicate the result of the inspection to the Health Board accompanied by a protest from the council.

PREVENTIVE MEASURES IN NEWCASTLE.

MEETING OF CITIZENS.

A VIGILANCE COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

A large and representative meeting of citizens of Newcastle was held in the Victoria Theatre to-night for the purpose of considering what steps should be taken to minimise the possibility of the introduction of bubonic plague into the city and port of Newcastle, and to appoint a vigilance committee of citizens to assist the City Council in its efforts to cleanse the city. The Mayor of Newcastle (Alderman David Miller) presided, and among those seated on the stage were the Minister for Mines and Agriculture (Mr. J. L. Fegan), Mr. J. Blakeby, M.L.C., Dr. Dick (Government Health Officer for the Hunter River District), Dr. Russell (Government Health Officer for the Port of Newcastle), Mr. Earp (president Chamber of Commerce), Dr. Goding (Consul for U.S.A.), Dr. H. M. Doyle, Dr. J. L. Beeston, Revs. Donald Fraser, W. Bain, Chas. Whyte, Jas. Crookston, J. Downey, Aldermen Cann, Hyde, Webb, Timbury (City Council), Captain Creer, Alderman N. B. Creer (Mayor of Waratah), Messrs. Joseph Wood, S. Levy, J. S. Rancland, Isaac Winn, J. R. Hall, George Wallace (of Sydney), E. A. Merewether, Julian Windeyer, and other prominent citizens. Apologies were received from the Bishop of Newcastle (Dr. Stanton), Mr. W. T. Dick, M.L.A., and others. The attendance numbered between 500 and 600, and although the meeting was almost unanimously in favour of the object aimed at, a few malcontents interrupted the progress of business, and the meeting eventually broke up in disorder.

The Mayor, in opening the meeting, said that the City Council had done its utmost in remedying the defects which had existed in the city, and he believed that the proposed vigilance committee and the corporation would work together in harmony.

Mr. G. F. Earp, president of the Chamber of Commerce, moved,—"That this meeting of citizens of Newcastle unanimously finds that the time has come when some more drastic steps should be taken, in co-operation with the City Council, to preserve the immunity hitherto enjoyed by the city and district from the bubonic plague." He said that the year 1900 would be remembered in Australia in future for two great events, firstly the part played by the colonies in the struggle of the Empire, and secondly the visitation in Australia of the great scourge of the east. A good deal had been already done by the City Council in cleansing the city. The health officers had also done a great deal in carrying out systematic inspections, and the Chamber of Commerce had further done something in insisting that vessels bound from Sydney to Newcastle should be thoroughly fumigated.

Mr. J. Blakeby, M.L.C., seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

The Rev. Donald Fraser (Australian Church) moved,—"That as Newcastle is one of the chief Australian ports, and that as thousands of pounds are being weekly spent by the public Treasury in the cleansing of Sydney, the Government should be approached for the purpose of securing a proportionate and adequate sum, so that such steps may be taken as will reduce to a minimum the chance of this dread visitor affecting a footing here."

Alderman N. B. Creer, Mayor of Waratah, seconded the resolution.

Mr. W. Winn moved as an amendment the insertion of the words—"after an appeal has been made to the citizens" after the word "approached" in the motion. He said that citizens should give some evidence of their earnestness by subscribing funds to carry on the work prior to approaching the Government for assistance. (Dissent.)

Dr. Doyle seconded the amendment, and said he thought a subscription list should be opened. (Cries of "No, no.") The citizens should be self-reliant, and additional funds might then be obtained from the Government. (Dissent.)

The Minister for Mines said that the Premier had that day given a Newcastle deputation to understand that the Government would be only too willing to assist the people of this city in preventing the introduction of the plague. (Applause.) The Government had taken the responsibility upon itself of endeavouring to stamp out this scourge, and the question of money had not been considered when so much valuable life was at stake. If the people of Newcastle showed a disposition to minimise the possibility of the extension of the plague to their district the Government would be only too pleased to assist them in their efforts. (Applause.) Comment had been made in certain quarters respecting what had been termed the inhumane treatment of patients, but the Government had to rely upon its medical advisers in preference to its ill-advised friends. (Applause.) The best steps possible had been taken in the interests of the entire community.

Alderman W. B. Sharp, in supporting the motion, said that the Premier had promised a deputation from the Newcastle Chamber of Commerce that day that he would appoint an officer for Newcastle to assume charge of the work of rat destruction; that the same rate would be paid in Newcastle for the capture of rats as was paid in Sydney; and that a furnace would be provided for the cremation of locally captured rodents. (Applause.) Mr. Lyne had further promised that the Government would recognise a vigilance committee appointed by that meeting. (Applause.) The Premier had desired to attend that meeting, but had been compelled by urgent business to return to Sydney.

Alderman Timbury, ex-Mayor, in supporting the motion, said that Newcastle was without exception the cleanest town in the colony.

The amendment was negatived by an overwhelming majority and the original motion almost unanimously carried.

Mr. Joseph Wood moved,—"That the following gentlemen, representative of the civil, clerical, medical, and commercial interests of the community, be appointed as an executive committee to give effect to the foregoing resolutions:—The chairman, the Mayor of Newcastle; the hon. treasurer, Mr. J. S. Rancland, manager of the Bank of Australasia; committee, Dr. Beeston, Dr. Harris, Rev. D. Fraser, Alderman Timbury, Mr. G. F. Earp, Mr. J. R. Hall, and Mr. W. Winn."

Mr. H. V. Harris seconded the motion.

An animated discussion then ensued. Dr. Doyle objected to the appointment of the Mayor as chairman of a vigilance committee, and the Rev. J. Downey (Presbyterian) protested against the selection of the Rev. Donald Fraser, of the Australian Church, as the sole representative of the Protestant churches. The Rev. Donald Fraser at once offered to withdraw in favour of his friend. The Rev. James Crookston (Presbyterian) and the Rev. Charles Whyte (Congregational) supported the original motion, and the Rev. W. Bain (Presbyterian) said that he was the oldest minister in Newcastle.

Mr. George Wallace, a member of the Sydney Vigilance Committee, denied that Newcastle was a clean city, and said that there were many places where a firestick should be introduced. He outlined the work of the Sydney committee.

Mr. Jas. Curley, miners' general secretary, said it was true as stated that both he and the miners' president had declined seats on the vigilance committee as representatives of the industrial classes. He thought the representatives of the working classes should be paid for their services on the committee. (Dissent.)

Eventually the motion was declared carried. A person in front of the stalls then attempted to move an additional motion, but the chairman declared the proceedings closed, and the meeting broke up in disorder.

PRECAUTIONS AT WEST MAITLAND.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

In consequence of the action of the council in closing all the garbage tips within the borough Mr. John Gillies has applied for a site of 20 acres Government land near East Maitland for a nightsoil depot. The district surveyor and Dr. Dick, health officer, have approved of the site as suitable for the purpose. Mr. Samuel Clift, of East Maitland, has granted to West Maitland Council the use of part of his Rutherford estate for the disposal of yard garbage, and its destruction by a destructor to be erected by the council of West Maitland. The council's inspector continues to make a house-to-house inspection, which up to the present has disclosed a fairly satisfactory sanitary condition of the town.

SANITARY CONFERENCE IN NEW ZEALAND.

BASIS OF HEALTH LEGISLATION.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

A conference of the sanitary commissioners recently appointed by the Government was held in Wellington to-day, under the presidency of the Colonial Secretary, for the purpose of devising the best methods of instituting precautions against the introduction of bubonic plague and for the protection of the public health. The conference, among other things, resolved that 24 hours should be a sufficient period for quarantine, but that vessels and passengers should be required to enter into a bond to report themselves every day for five days. It was also resolved that the cargo of vessels from infected ports should be fumigated while in quarantine; that it was desirable that vessels be inspected before leaving an infected port; that sheds or wharfs containing goods be fumigated from Saturday to Monday; that shipowners enter into a bond to prevent rats coming ashore; that plague hospitals be immediately established at Auckland, Napier, Wellington, Dunedin, Bluff, New Plymouth, Wanganui, and Timaru; that the destruction of rats be regarded as a matter of vital importance, and that the local authorities throughout the colony be asked to conform to that particular decision and arrange for the destruction of the rodents; that the local bodies be urged to discontinue the system of allowing individuals to dispose of nightsoil and house refuse, and to undertake the work themselves at the cost of the residents; that private slaughterhouses are undesirable; that health officers should inspect all dairies in the colony, and report to the Colonial Secretary; that destructors be erected at the chief centres, and all rubbish be burned; that no second-hand clothing, raw bones, or old sacks be landed in the colony; that no fowls be kept in towns or cities within 30ft. of a dwelling, and then only under inspection; and that no pigs be kept within 100 yards of a dwelling. The board announced that the resolutions would form the basis of the sanitary legislation to be introduced by the Government next session.

CASES IN QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The plague patients at Cairncross are doing well. The remainder of the contacts in the Deveson case were released to-day having undergone the necessary five days' quarantine prescribed by the regulations. A suspected case has proved not to be plague.

ERADICATION OF THE PLAGUE.

Mr. H. M. Rowbotham writes to us from Colombo under date of April 14 as follows:—"It is now generally admitted that the sole cause of the first outbreak of plague in Bombay was due to rats which arrived from the Persian Gulf, and I think you may take it as fact that the sole cause of its outbreak in Sydney is due to diseased rats getting on shore from vessels lying alongside the wharfs, which have come from ports where the disease is prevalent. As a proof of this contention there are two remarkable instances of freedom from plague in this part of the world. I refer to Madras and Colombo. With the plague practically all round them these two ports remain free from the scourge, though in the latter case ships from infected ports enter and leave the harbour daily. The real cause of this immunity is the simple fact that no vessel can go alongside a wharf in the Colombo or Madras harbours, but all the work is done by cargo boats manned with labourers who are either segregated or disinfected. Of course, it may be argued that the rats could get off the ships on to the boats; and so they could, but as a matter of fact they do not, and if proper precautions are taken they can be prevented from doing so. There have been a few isolated cases of plague in Madras, but these have all been traced as imported by rail from inland—and this again seems to show that there is not so much risk of infection from human beings if local conditions are not favourable to its spread. Looking at the matter from every point of view there can be no other possible explanation of the extraordinary immunity this place has so far enjoyed but the foregoing. The local authorities with pardonable vanity may think it is due to their arrangements; to a certain extent it is so, but once let a few diseased rats from Bombay or Calcutta vessels land in Colombo and all their efforts will be like trying to hold water in a sieve. Given that the above contention is correct you naturally say it's rather late in the day to tell it you now. This is partly true, but having decided that it is the cause and the sole cause of its having originally come to you, you can effectually stop any further influx from that source, and then energetically and determinedly set to work to eradicate it from your midst. To accomplish the first of these two steps will be comparatively easy. All vessels, without exception, must be made to anchor in the stream, and all goods must be transferred to and fro by cargo boats. All jute goods must be most carefully examined. This arrangement would of course refer to all ports. The second step indicated, viz., to eradicate what you have already got in, is a far more serious undertaking, and will require the most earnest thought, courage, and determination on the part of those in authority. So far as is known, there is only one effectual means of eradicating it from localities where it has taken a strong hold, and that is—fire. This may seem a drastic remedy, but you must realise that you are face to face with the greatest calamity that any city of white people has been threatened with since London in 1665, which was then, I presume, about the same size that Sydney is now. To do the right thing to prevent this calamity may cost one or even five millions, but it will cost Sydney ten times five millions before she has done with it if it once gets in as it has done in Bombay and Calcutta. P.S.—There were 900 reported deaths in Calcutta last week apart from those not reported."

SINGLETON, Thursday.

The South Singleton Council has offered to cooperate with Singleton Council in obtaining a place to isolate plague patients, if the plague reaches either of the municipalities.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—We are informed that the principal agent in the propagation of the plague is the migratory habit of the rat. During my student life in Guy's Hospital, London, I became acquainted with Mr. Richard Deane, who, at that time, held the position of ratcatcher to her Majesty the Queen, having almost constant employment on the Royal farms. At the invitation of a friend in the country I witnessed one of Deane's performances. "Dicky" Deane (as he was familiarly called) was a most eccentric man; but in spite of this he was undoubtedly a master of his craft. On the occasion to which I refer he had at his command a well-trained set of rat-terriers, about 40 in number, also six trained ferrets, three of which he carried in each side pocket. Placing his dogs at intervals of about six yards, he made a cordon round a large barn. Each dog knew his name, as did each ferret. After caressing one of the latter he sent him into the basement of the building, and the remaining ferrets quickly followed. In a very short time rats appeared from all points, and as they emerged they were seized by the dogs, who appeared to kill about 20 per minute. It occurs to me that if the Government would import say 100 trained ferrets and a suitable number of trained rat terriers, much good might be effected. Most of the terraces in Sydney abound with rats and their holes, and by adopting the plan above mentioned many hundreds of thousands of these pests might be destroyed.

I am, &c.,
B. SIMMONS, M.D., M.R.C.S., L.S.A.
70 Alberto-terrace, May 2.

LATE MINING.

KALGOORLIE, Thursday.

The April returns of Hannan's Oroya were:—2400 tons of ore crushed, yielding 688 oz. gold, an average of 5dwt. 17gr. per ton. The official starting of the rock-drilling plant on this property has been postponed to Saturday.

The extension of the Golden Horseshoe ore reduction plant is now completed, and large numbers of hands have been discharged. It is understood that the management will at once begin shipment of ore to the Fremantle Smelting Works. Considerable activity is apparent in several other big mines in bagging ore, and it is evident that the present tariff, which enables 10oz. ore to be conveyed to the coast for 16s per ton, will shortly have an effect on the monthly output of gold from the field.

At the 800ft. level of the Golden Link driving is being continued south along the boundary, where the manager expects the twist in the lode will cause it at that depth to re-enter the property. At the 300ft. level the crosscut has been extended westward from the south shaft. The remainder of the distance across the lease is being proved by the diamond drill operating from the end of the crosscut.

The timbering of the plats at the 600ft. level of the Great Boulder Main Reef is nearly completed, and crosscutting will be started shortly to prove the lodes of the property at that depth. A large quantity of ore is broken in the stopes at the 400ft. level. On the surface both the sulphide mill and the tailings plant are in full swing and doing good work.

A rich strike is reported to have been made in No. 2 level of the Iron Duke lease, one of the Associated Northern Blocks, Limited. The lode at this point is stated to be of very high grade. No particulars of the extent and value of the find have yet been officially disclosed.

THE SYDNEY HOSPITAL.

The monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Sydney Hospital was held on Tuesday afternoon. There were present Sir Arthur Renwick, president; Mr. Michael Chapman, vice-president; Mr. David Fell, acting hon. treasurer; Messrs. James Stedman, Alexander Dean, W. H. Flavelle, T. R. Allt, A. C. Shadler, Robert Fowler, M.L.C., R. J. Black, J. H. Goodlet, C. L. Garland, R. N. Sheridan, Drs. Graham and J. J. Power, S. E. Lees, M.L.A., and Dr. W. C. M'Clelland, medical superintendent. The minutes of the last board and special board meetings were read and signed. The minutes of the house committee for the past month were laid on the table. The accounts for the month of April, amounting to £1530 8s 5d, were passed, and the acting hon. treasurer was authorised to pay them. The treasurer's monthly financial statement was laid on the table. The quarterly statement was read. A letter was received from the Principal Under-Secretary notifying the appointment of Dr. J. J. Power and Mr. T. R. Allt as directors. The president, in the name of the board, welcomed the two new members. The resignation of Dr. G. G. Old, resident medical officer, on account of ill-health, was accepted, and Dr. Delohery was appointed to the vacant position. The applications for the position of junior honorary assistant operating dentist were referred to the honorary medical staff for their opinion. The Civil Service Co-operative Society's tender for the purchase of crockery was accepted. The common seal and signatures of the president, vice-president, and acting hon. treasurer were affixed to the deed of release in the estate of the late Mrs. Gross. The attendance book of the honorary medical staff for the past month was read.

The Griffin Memorial Tablet. See this week's "Mail."—Advt.

NEWCASTLE.

AN ASSESSMENT APPEAL.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

At the Municipal Appeal Court to-day the hearing of the second appeal by the Australian Agricultural Company against the assessment of its property was resumed and concluded. The property in question is an area of land upon which are erected staiths used in traction and shipment of coal, offices, stores, stables, and 900 feet of wharfage. The assessors had valued the property at £115,000, and had fixed the assessment at £8250. The appellant company called a number of experts, whose capital valuations ranged from £71,250 to £82,560, the annual assessment being variously estimated at from £3562 to £4143. The magistrate reduced the assessment from £8250 to £4880.

THE COAL INDUSTRY.

The barque Golden Fleece arrived to-day from Sydney to load a cargo of coal from the New Lambton Colliery for Mauritius; the barque Lucknow arrived from Fremantle to load Wallsend coal for Antofagasta; the barque Empire arrived from Adelaide to load coal for Honolulu or San Francisco; and the ship Narcissus arrived from Rockhampton to load Wallsend coal for the West Coast. There were no departures or clearances in the foreign trade to-day.

In the intercolonial trade the steamer Norkoowa sailed to-day for Melbourne with 2200 tons; the steamer Waikare left for Wellington, via Sydney, with 800 tons; the steamer Moorabool took her departure for Adelaide with 4070 tons of coal and 350 tons of coke; and the steamer Koonya sailed for Devonport, via Bulli, with 450 tons of coal. The steamer Barrier cleared at the customs for Melbourne with 2980 tons of coal.

To-day's exports included:—For New Zealand, 20,000ft. of hardwood timber; and for South Australia, 118 tons of rails.

The steamer Nineveh, which arrived here to-day from Sydney, will load a quantity of frozen beef and mutton, equal to 20,000 carcases, for South Africa, and 500 bales wool for London.

Typhoid fever is very prevalent in the district, and there are at present no less than 19 cases in Newcastle Hospital.

ODDFELLOWS' CONFERENCE AT WAGGA.

UNIFORM METHOD OF BOOKKEEPING.

WAGGA, Thursday.

At the session of the Oddfellows' conference to-day consideration of the question of clearance values as submitted by Mr. J. Trivett (Government actuary) was resumed. In the opinion of the majority the system was too intricate to be readily workable. Bro. Still said he considered the effect of the system would be the destruction of some of the weaker lodges. He favoured, in preference to the plan of the actuary, the amalgamation of the whole of the sick and funeral funds. Bro. Finkernagel said in his opinion the values fixed by the actuary were too high.

After a lengthy discussion it was eventually decided, on the motion of Bro. Gardiner, seconded by Bro. Costello,—"That the tables of clearance values as submitted, not being considered sufficiently explicit, they be referred back to the directors for further consideration, with authority from this meeting to have tables prepared compatible with the constitution and benefits, and to submit the same to the next general annual movable convention."

The report of the special sub-committee appointed to consider a system of uniform bookkeeping was submitted by Bro. John Gardiner. The report stated that the committee had gone carefully into the various forms of account books used in lodges, and as many diverse methods were found in use the need of uniformity had been impressed on them. The difficulties of some lodges in obtaining competent bookkeepers to act as secretaries were acknowledged, and in view of this it was considered that to suit ordinary requirements fair books of account should be sufficient, together with a register of members and funeral return book, combined with a register of sickness, lodge order on treasury, or docket book. After discussion Bro. Kiana moved the adoption of a scheme of uniform bookkeeping as proposed, with power to the directors to make such additions and alterations as might be necessary, and to supply information required by the Registrar. Bro. Gardiner seconded the motion, which was carried. The committee then entered on the consideration of the proposed alterations of rules to bring them into conformity with the new Friendly Societies Act; but some discussion took place as to the power of the committee to deal with the whole code on the ground that the proposed alterations had not been submitted to the respective district committees and lodges. The Grand Secretary read a communication from the Registrar stating that the amendments in the present rules had not been registered, and that an entirely new code was necessary. The committee decided to proceed with the consideration of the whole code.

The conference then adjourned till to-morrow.

ENGINEERING ASSOCIATION OF N.S.W.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Engineering Association of New South Wales was held last night in Vickery's Chambers, Pitt-street, for the purpose of discussing a paper on "Sydney and its institutions, as they are and might be from an engineer's point of view," which had been read by Mr. Norman Selfe at the previous meeting of the association. Mr. Hector Kidd occupied the chair. A resume of Mr. Selfe's paper has already been published.

Mr. J. Barlow, president of the Institute of Architects, condemned the policy of drift, and criticised the City Council in that regard. He viewed the proposed harbour resumption only as a preliminary towards the remodelling of the whole of the city, for the carrying out of which he advocated a wider sphere of municipal government, on the lines of a county council.

Mr. B. Backhouse, M.L.C., criticised the present drainage system of Sydney, and suggested the adoption of the Liesner system. He also urged an alteration in the municipal franchise. Mr. W. E. Reid hoped that the effect of the paper would be to arouse the citizens from past apathy. Mr. C. M'Allister's remarks were entirely in support of the paper. Captain Vine Hall spoke strongly on the proposed harbour trust, citing the Liverpool Harbour Trust and the possibilities which Sydney Harbour presented to have something on the same lines. Mr. J. L. C. Rae dwelt in his remarks mainly on the question of cleanliness, and Mr. J. Kethel referred to the present working of the Technical College.

Mr. Selfe, in reply, said that he hoped they would all live to see a great improvement in Sydney. (Applause.) Referring to the matters the Government had taken in hand, he said that "it appeared to have bit off more than it could chew at the present time." Before going wholesale into a scheme involving several millions the best talent in the colony should be called upon to offer suggestions. One man had not the requisite knowledge to deal with the complex subjects involved, and in view of the dislocation of business which a harbour resumption scheme threatened he advocated the initial moderate measures of a well-thought-out progressive scheme of resumption. He hoped therefore that the Government would not delay in having a clear and concrete statement of what it proposed to do laid before the public, so that everyone interested might be able to act accordingly. (Hear, hear.)

This concluded the business of the meeting.

TAMWORTH JOCKEY CLUB ANNUAL MEETING.

SECOND DAY.

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

The annual race meeting of the Tamworth Jockey Club was continued and concluded to-day. The course was in splendid condition, and over 1200 persons were present, including a large number of ladies, and among the visitors from the metropolis was Mr. D. O'Connor, M.L.A. The officials all worked well, and the sport passed off without the slightest friction. Appended are the results:—

Railway Handicap of 40 sovs., second horse 3 sovs. from the prize, 6 furlongs. Mr. M. J. Burke's Myosotis, by Metal—Buttercup, 8st 9lb (J. Callinan), 1; Stilts, 6st 7lb (Tucker), 2; Feramorz, 8st 3(Huxley), 3. Three others started. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Myosotis, 3 to 1 v. Du Du, 4 to 1 v. Peppercorn, 5 to 1 v. Feramorz. The winner led from start to finish. Time, 1 minute 19 2-5 seconds.

Second Hack Race of 15 sovs., about 6 furlongs.—Mr. H. Hall's Trial, by Muscatel, 8st 2lb (Tucker), 1; Coolabah, 10st (Want), 2; Volunteer, 7st 7lb (A. Cush), 3. Three others started. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Volunteer, 2 to 1 v. Coolabah, 4 to 1 v. Trial, 5 to 1 v. T.J.B., 20 to 1 v. Bennett. Won by six lengths. Time, 1 minute 32½ seconds.

Flying Welter Handicap of 35 sovs., second horse 3 sovs., about 7 furlongs.—Mr. W. M. Setti's Alga, by Albatross—Myrtle, 8st 8lb (Tucker), 1; Harvest Home, 9st 12lb (J. Callinan), 2; Carnation, 9st (A. Cush), 3. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Battlefield, 5 to 2 v. Carnation, 4 to 1 v. Alga, 6 to 1 v. Harvest Home, 10 to 1 v. Feramorz. Alga led throughout, and won by six lengths. Time, 1 minute 32½ seconds.

Tamworth Jockey Club Handicap of 100 sovs., second horse 10 sovs., 1¼ mile.—Mr. J. H. Dawson's Melba, by Gozo—Materpe, 6st 9lb (Tucker), 1; Uncle, 7st 12lb, including 10lb penalty (A. Cush), 2; Adnaw, 8st 6lb (Want), 3. Other starters: Aerolite, 8st 6lb; Sepia, 8st 6lb. Betting: 7 to 4 v. Sepia, 9 to 2 v. Aerolite and Uncle, 3 to 1 v. Adnaw, 12 to 1 v. Melba. Melba led from start to finish, and won by five lengths from Uncle, who beat Adnaw by four lengths. Sepia was a bad last. Time, 2 minutes 13 2-5 seconds.

Flying Handicap of 30 sovs., second horse 2 sovs., 6 furlongs.—Mr. H. Hall's Stilts, by The Bean—Polly, 6st 7lb (Tucker), 1; Coolabah, 8st (A. Cush), 2; Du Du, 7st 6lb (Burrows), 3. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Stilts and Fireman, 4 to 1 v. Harvest Home, 5 to 1 v. Du Du, 20 to 1 v. Coolabah. Fireman led to the turn for home, where Stilts passed him and won by six lengths from Coolabah, who was three lengths ahead of Du Du.

Forced Handicap of 40 sovs., 1 mile.—Mr. J. Cush's Uncle, by Lochiel—Forget-me-not, 8st 7lb (Rose), 1; Popgun, 8st 7lb (Tanner), 2; Battlefield, 7st 12lb (Tucker), disqualified. Battlefield was first past the post, but a protest for running inside a post at the back of the course was upheld by the committee, and the race was awarded to Uncle.

On Saturday, April 21, the officers of the Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Bridge-street, met in the boardroom and presented Mr. G. H. Felton, on the eve of his approaching marriage, with a handsome tea and coffee service, also an address expressing the high opinion in which he was held in the office. Mr. Allen, the acting manager, made the presentation, and Mr. Felton suitably responded.

HOSPITAL SATURDAY.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE CAMPAIGN.

LARGEST ARMY YET ORGANISED.

The Hospital Saturday collections which will be taken up to-morrow throughout the whole of the metropolitan districts are expected to yield a much larger amount than has ever before been realised. Final preparations for the "investment" to which the city and suburbs are to be subjected by bands of lady collectors were made yesterday by the directors of the fund at the offices of Messrs. Starkey and Starkey, York-street. Mr. W. Briggs (vice-chairman) presided. There were also present—Mesdames Alfred Allen, R. Blogg, J. B. Christian, John Hughes, sen., W. Cullen Ward, Misses A. Drewe and E. M. Nelson, Messrs. S. Bonsall, A. W. S. Gregg, W. A. Hooper, R. Jackson, David A. Rogers, W. Rollo, R. H. Sibthorpe, C. T. Starkey, A. J. P. Stevens, and J. Tucker. Mrs. C. T. Starkey and Mr. H. H. Robey, hon. secretaries respectively for Neutral Bay and Paddington, Messrs. Charles H. Starkey and W. W. Dorman, organiser, also attended. Apologies for nonattendance were received from Mr. Justice Cohen, Mesdames A. N. Jonsen, Hawley Wilson, Miss Ducker, and Mr. G. S. Brackenreg. It was reported that, provided the weather was fine, there was every probability of the collection being a very considerable one. No fewer than 1500 collecting boxes would be in use, being 200 more than on any previous occasion. The banking arrangements would be more complete than on any previous occasion. Hitherto collectors had taken the moneys collected by them to either the head office of the Bank of New South Wales in George-street or to the branch at Parramatta. To-morrow the same institutions will be open for the purpose and also the branches of the same bank at Burwood and Liverpool. So that no one who is afloat in the harbour shall have ground for complaining of having been overlooked, the Orient S.S. Company had placed at the disposal of the collectors the steam launch Estrella, with which to visit the ships. The steam ferry companies had, without exception, intimated that the collectors would be at liberty to collect on their boats and allowed to travel free. The livery stable proprietors would place vehicles at the disposal of the superintendents to enable them to visit the various stands. A large number of caterers had offered to supply refreshments and provide resting places for the ladies. Many citizens had offered to forward to the Town Hall to-morrow morning flowers which will there be made up into buttonholes, to be disposed of in aid of the fund. The whole of the boxes and tables which are to be used in the streets have been disinfected by the formalin process by Messrs. W. H. Bean and Co., free of charge.

The principal collectors in the city, and the positions assigned to them, are as follows:—

Mrs. D. A. Rogers, Watson's Bay Ferry, Circular Quay.
Mrs. S. C. Sadler and Mrs. J. W. H. German, Port Jackson Wharf, Circular Quay.
Mosman Committee, Mosman Ferries Wharf, Circular Quay.
Mrs. E. J. Carver, Sydney Ferries Company's Wharf.
Mrs. M'Donnell, Macquarie-place.
Mrs. George Reid, corner George and Bridge streets.
Mrs. C. Delohery, corner Hunter and George streets.
Mrs. A. Fayline, George and Wynyard streets.
Mrs. B. Moriarty, Bank N.S.W. corner.
Mrs. E. Lloyd-Jones, David Jones's corner.
Mrs. F. Hollway, G.P.O., George-street and Martin-place.
Mrs. L. Hicks, Grand Central Coffee Palace, York-street.
Miss Keffie, Lane Cove Ferry Steamers, Circular Quay.
Miss L. M'Lauchlan, Balmain Ferries.
Mr. D. A. Rogers and other gentlemen, Sussex-street and locality.
Miss M'Galey, corner George and King streets.
Mrs. C. T. Starkey, Hunter's corner, George and Market streets.
Madame Poulsen, Queen Victoria Markets.
Miss B. Archer, corner George and Park streets.
Mrs. F. B. Boyce, Town Hall.
Miss Dailey, Pyrmont Bridge.
Mrs. Gouly, George-street Bank of New South Wales, Haymarket.
Mrs. Rawley Wilson, Anthony Hordern's corner.
Mrs. Blogg, George and Harris streets.
Mrs. J. Brooke, Regent and George streets West.
Miss Venables, Redfern Railway Station, entrance and platforms 5 and 6.
Mrs. O. J. Wiley, Redfern Railway Station platforms A, B, 1, 2, 3, 4.
Miss M. Newnham, Park and Pitt streets.
Madame le Forestier, Royal Arcade, Pitt-street end.
Mrs. J. White, corner Pitt and Market streets.
Miss Goldman, Strand Arcade and Tivoli Theatre.
Miss Pines, Friwell's corner, King and Pitt streets.
Mrs. Hughes and Mrs. Toomey, G.P.O., Pitt-street.
Miss F. Cunningham, Empire Hotel.
The Misses Venn-Brown and E. Kennedy, "Sydney Morning Herald" Office.
Miss Creal (Matron Sydney Hospital), Exchange-corner.
Miss Clara Baly, Hotel Metropole.
Mrs. T. Parker, Bent-street Waiting-room.
Mrs. A. Marks and Mrs. J. Dean, Hotel Australia.
Mrs. M. Marks, Hunter-street tram waiting-room.
Miss Creal (Matron Sydney Hospital), corner King and Elizabeth streets.
Mrs. M. Marks, corner Macquarie and King streets.
Mrs. T. J. Chapman, Liverpool-street waiting-room.
Miss F. Cohen, Hyde Park, Oxford-street.
Miss R. Cohen, Domain Gates.
Miss Overall, Oxford-street, Mark Foy's.
Nurse Warn and Nurses, Boomerang-street.
Miss H. M'Leod, corner Crown and Albion streets, Surry Hills.
Mrs. Cecil Griffiths, top of William-street.
Mrs. Shears, Cowper Wharf.
Mrs. Barnett, Macleay and Upper William streets.
Warwick Farm Races, committee for Liverpool.
Mrs. F. J. Sawkins, ships in harbour.
Mrs. Addison, Union Company and North Coast Wharfs.

The compilation of the list of suburban collectors will be completed to-day.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—On Saturday, the 5th instant, the annual demonstration of the Hospital Saturday Fund will, as usual, take the form of an outdoor collection, when something like 1500 collectors will appeal both to the travelling public and to those who stay at home for contributions in aid of all public medical charities of Sydney and suburbs. The ladies who unselfishly devote their whole day to the work are volunteers without exception, and if those wage-earners who are not yet regular contributors to the fund would reward the collectors' efforts by giving a day's pay it would be a fair recognition of the service the ladies perform, and no more than a fair discharge of the obligation which every citizen is under to the hospitals for the benefit they directly or indirectly confer upon them.

There are thousands of workers who generously do their duty to the hospitals by contributing regularly every pay day to the weekly or monthly collections made on behalf of this fund in the various places of business where they are employed, but there are many thousands of workers who have not as yet seen the necessity of performing their part, nor realised the facilities which this association offers them for doing it. To such the appeal next Saturday is especially directed.

There are also large numbers of well-to-do and even wealthy people who are unknown as direct supporters of any charity—people who deny themselves the greatest luxury that money can procure, the consciousness of being useful and of actively benefiting others. They are the lineal descendants of "Scrooge" who have not as yet received a visit from "Marley's Ghost" to point out to them that the shortest and easiest road to happiness is to be found in contributing to the happiness of others. Our collectors will give to the "Scrooges" of our time an opportunity of experiencing a new sensation of an agreeable kind which will lighten their pockets and their hearts at the same time. For every £5 the ladies collect there will be a human life saved from premature death, or the pangs of disease and death greatly relieved to some poor fellow-creature who is past the aid of man.

The need for special effort and the claim for a liberal response were never more pressing than at the present time. Owing to various causes the income of the principal hospitals for the past year has not sufficed to meet their necessary expenditure. Sydney Hospital requires about £3000 to make up the shortage; the case of Prince Alfred Hospital is nearly as bad, their deficiency being over £2000; and even the Children's Hospital, that institution which, it seems to me, should appeal most strongly to the sympathies of everyone, requires the sum of £600 in order to balance accounts.

The Hospital Saturday Fund is now in the seventh year of its existence. During the first six years, culminating May, 1899, the total amount collected was over £20,000, and in the same period £18,900 was distributed amongst the various medical charities in such a manner that not one word of complaint has been heard.

This amount, which has been obtained from new sources, has sufficed to provide the best of medical attendance, nursing, and maintenance in hospital for nearly 7000 men, women, and children unable to provide for themselves, and this constitutes the claim of the association for further support. The only reward that the managers of the Hospital Saturday Fund desire for the work already done is largely increased public support to enable the association to do still better work.

So far the work of the association has been confined to propagandist work and to helping the hospitals by direct grants of money, but if this fund had increased support it could give relief to the hospitals, and at the same time benefit the community to a far greater extent, on the principle that "prevention is better than cure," by establishing a home or homes in some salubrious situation on the highlands as the Birmingham fund has done, where the invalided breadwinner, or overwrought mother or ailing child, could be sent before they are completely disabled by disease that follows neglect of premonitory symptoms.

With increased means the fund could carry on an active crusade against disease by means of trained lecturers and suitable literature.

Our hospitals are crowded with people who, "if they had" known something of the laws of health, would not have had occasion to be there. In our cities are thousands of people unconsciously distributing germs of disease. Our cemeteries are crowded with the prematurely dead, the victims of ignorance in themselves or their parents, or both. And the sum of all this means an awful amount of individual suffering, national loss of wealth, national deterioration.

I am, &c.,
FRANK GRIMLEY,
Hon. Treasurer Hospital Saturday Fund.
May 3.

LUXURIANT, LUSTROUS HAIR, with a clean, wholesome scalp, free from irritating and scaly eruptions, is the result of warm shampoos with CUTICURA SOAP, followed by light dressings with CUTICURA, purest of emollient skin cures, the most effective skin, scalp, and hair purifiers and beautifiers in the world. This treatment will clear the scalp and hair of crusts, scales, and dandruff, soothe irritated and itching surfaces, stimulate the hair follicles, and supply the roots with energy and nourishment.—Advt.

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LAWN TENNIS.

SYDNEY CLUB'S ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT.

The third day's play in the open tournament was not favoured with the same perfect weather as its predecessors, as during the day a strong, cold southerly worked up, which militated both against the freeness of the play and the comfort of the spectators. The tennis, though not so attractive as the programme had promised, owing to the strong wind, was still at times very good, and in the championship doubles it had seemingly no effect. All four men played at times a fine game. Wright in particular in the first two sets was brilliant. His interception of his opponent's shot was always marked by judgment and quickness, and his strokes all round were severe. His half-volley was extremely serviceable at times. Dewhurst again played a fine game, and it may fairly be said that he is quite back in his old form. He volleys from almost on the service line, and though the accepted game now is to work in very close, there is no doubt that Dewhurst does almost if not quite as well from the service line, and that style has certainly the advantage of being more ready to reply to a toss, and therefore prevents those extremely wearisome rallies with which we were surfeited last year of one long unceasing toss. In the opening set Curtis and Dewhurst just managed to squeeze home at 6-4, by which score Wright and Edwards took the next set. In the third set Dewhurst's return of the service was consistently severe, and again he took the set at 6-4. In the fourth set, however, Wright and Edwards, playing really improved style at every feature of the game, scored time after time, and took the set to love. Two sets all. In the fifth set Curtis and Dewhurst came with renewed vigour, and had a strong call at 4-0. Wright and Edwards however then made a fine recovery, and pulled level at 4 all. But Dewhurst and Curtis, keeping a shade in front, finally took the final set at 8-6 and match three sets to two, securing first prize in the All-comers' Doubles. They will now be called on to play the winners of last year and present holders of the championship, Messrs. Rice and Gaden. The contest should prove a very fine one, as all four men rely on brilliancy and severity of their strokes, rather than safety. The fact also that lends additional interest to the match is that on the result will hang the fate of the Doubles Challenge Cups that have been competed for ever since the Doubles Championship of the colony has been played, and have inscribed on them the names of all our doubles champions from Salmon and Ismay in 1885 to the present holders. If Rice and Gaden win it will be for the third time in succession, which secures to them the cups. No other pair has ever won them twice; the challengers have always won. Rice in his round of the Singles Championship proved, as was foretold by his practice games, altogether too good for Goddard, whom he outclassed at every feature of the game. Rice this year is certainly better than ever; while Goddard has not kept up the brilliancy with which he opposed Kearney a twelvemonth back. In spite of the strong wind straight down the court, Rice was always on the attack, and his passing shots of both fore and back hand were clean and accurately placed. His smashing, too, was deadly. Another good match was that between Rice and Miss Clift and Dewhurst and Miss Payten in the Challenge Pairs. Both ladies volleyed perfectly, and Miss Payten's smashing and general agility was greatly admired. Miss Clift, though not so dashing, was more certain, and she made few mistakes off any opportunity. Both men played well. The match was at dusk unfinished—one set all—and will be wholly replayed to-day. In the other events some good contests were seen, the young Anderson Brothers coming through their round of the Doubles Handicap. In the Singles Handicap one of them was defeated mainly for the reason perhaps that he met his brother, and they couldn't both win.

The following are the detailed scores:—

Gentlemen's All-comers' Singles.
Rice beat Goddard, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3.

Gentlemen's All-comers' Doubles.
Final Round.
Curtis and Dewhurst beat Wright and Edwards, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4, 0-6, 8-6.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Challenge Pairs.
Rice and Miss Clift v. Dewhurst and Miss Payten, 5-7, 7-5 (unfinished, and to be started afresh).
Waller and Miss Dransfield beat Edwards and Miss Shadforth (last set 4-2, continued), 6-3, 5-7, 6-2.

Ladies' All-comers' Singles.
Miss K. Dight beat Miss Clift, 6-3, 11-9.

The Ladies' All-comers' Doubles.
The game stood:—The Misses Dransfield v. Misses Payten and Shadforth, 10-9, was unfinished owing to the indisposition of Miss M. Dransfield; and the committee have reluctantly been compelled to award the match to Misses Payten and Shadforth, as the number of events still to be played will not permit any delay.

Ladies and Gentlemen's Doubles Handicap.
Reading and Miss Keele beat Monahan and Miss Guille, 4-6, 6-1, 6-1.
Maguire and Miss Hirst beat Jones and Miss Jones, 6-2, 6-4.
Latrobe and Miss J. Dight beat Gosling and Miss F. Dight, 6-3, 6-5.
Kelynack and Miss Dight beat Doust and Miss Doust, 6-6, 6-2, 6-4.

Gentlemen's Singles Handicap.
C. Anderson beat R. Anderson, 5-6, 6-3, 7-5.
W. Monahan v. Cosman, 5-7, 8-6 (unfinished).
Mackenzie beat A. Kelynack, 6-1, 6-3.
Fox beat Kidston, 6-2, 5-7, 6-1.

Gentlemen's Doubles Handicap.
Anderson and Anderson beat Fox and Kidston, 2-6, 6-2, 6-4.
Dewhurst and Goddard beat Clark and Kelynack, 6-1, 6-4.
Edwards and Wright beat Skipper and Kinsela, 6-2, 1-6, 6-1.

Ladies' Singles Handicap.
Miss Keele, walk over.
Miss K. Dight beat Miss Hirst, 6-3, 6-3.

Gentlemen's Singles Limited Handicap.
Wright beat Miller, 6-0.
Reading beat Fitzgerald, 6-1.
Edwards beat Leibius, 7-5.

The following is the programme for to-day:—
All-comers' Singles.—Poidevin v. Edwards, 2 o'clock, court 7; Rice v. Wright, 2 o'clock, court 5.
Challenge Pairs.—Rice and Miss Clift v. Dewhurst and Miss Payten, 11 o'clock, court 5; winners of above v. Waller and Miss Dransfield (final), 3.30 o'clock, court 5.
Ladies' All-comers' Doubles.—Challenge round: Misses Payten and Shadforth (challengers) v. Mrs. Cater and Miss Clift, 2 o'clock, court 2.
Ladies' All-comers' Singles.—Final: Miss Payten v. Miss K. Dight, 3.30 o'clock, court 7. (This match to be played in the event of Miss Payten losing her match in the Challenge Pairs.)
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Double Handicap.—Reading and Miss Keele v. Skipper and Miss Skipper, 2 o'clock, court 1.

Gentlemen's Single Handicap.
Merewether v. Reading, 12 o'clock, court 4.
Monahan v. Cossman, 3.30 o'clock, court 6 (unfinished).
Winner of above v. Mackenzie, 4 o'clock, court 6.
Fox v. Poidevin, 3.45 o'clock, court 2.

Ladies' Double Handicap.
Misses Doust and Jones v. Misses Freeman and Keele, 3.30 o'clock, court 1.
Misses Dransfield v. Misses Moustaka and Cowlishaw, 11 o'clock, court 3.

Ladies' Single Handicap.
Miss K. Dight v. Miss Keele, 11 o'clock, court 1.
Miss Dransfield v. Miss T. Dight, 2 o'clock, court 6.

Gentlemen's Double Handicap.
Anderson and Anderson v. Dewhurst and Goddard, 2 o'clock, court 3.
Wright and Edwards v. Poidevin and Cameron, 11 o'clock, 11 o'clock, court 7.

Gentlemen's Limited Handicap.
Wright v. Reading, 3.30, court 5.
Pitt v. Hicks, 11.30 o'clock, court 8.
Anderson v. Anderson, 11.30 o'clock, court 2.

The best match set down for this afternoon's play will be that in the All-comers' Singles between Rice and Wright. Both men are in the very best of form. The match to be replayed in the Challenge Pairs at 11 o'clock between Rice and Miss Clift and Dewhurst and Miss Payten should, if one may judge from yesterday, prove a brilliant one. The challenge round for the Ladies' Doubles Championship between Misses Payten and Shadforth (challengers) and Miss Clift and Mrs. Cater (holders), at 2 p.m., should also prove a great draw.

UNIVERSITY TOURNAMENT.

The following are the results of Thursday's play:—

Single Handicap.
Stephen beat Jordan, 6-4, 6-2.
Madsen beat Guide, 6-5, 6-1, 6-4.
Harris beat Adams, 6-3, 5-6, 6-5.
Lehane beat D'Apice, 6-0, 6-5.
Pockley beat F. G. Griffiths, 6-3, 6-2.
Pitt beat J. N. Griffiths, 0-6, 6-4, 6-3.
Verge beat Goerge, 6-2, 6-2.
Robson v. Docker, 2-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Double Handicap.
Jordan and Hansard beat Hill and Goerge, 6-3, 6-1.
Stephen and D'Apice beat Roberts and Gibson, 6-4, 6-1.
Waddell and Pitt beat Barton and Gillespie, 6-4, 6-1.

Single Championship.
Pockley beat Cameron, 6-3, 6-3.
Gregson beat F. G. Griffiths, 6-2, 6-0.
Power beat Dey, 6-2, 6-0.
Jones beat Gregson, 6-4, 4-6, 6-0.
Sharp beat Halcomb, 6-0, 4-6, 6-3.
Stacey beat Teece, 6-2, 7-5.

The following is the draw for to-day's play:—
Single Handicap.—On court 3. At 10 o'clock, Cameron v. Halcomb; at 11 o'clock, Pockley v. Holt; at 12 o'clock Verge v. W. E. Harris. On court 4. At 10 o'clock, Stephen v. Hansard; at 11 o'clock, Tange v. Cleland; at 12 o'clock, Roger v. Phillips; at 2 o'clock, Meeks v. A. H. Dight; at 3 o'clock, Savage v. Bond; at 4 o'clock, Mote v. Sparr.
Double Handicap.—On court 3. At 2 o'clock, Pockley and Clarke v. Dey and Mote; at 3 o'clock, Gregson and Halcomb v. Newman and Sharp; at 4 o'clock, Jordan and Hansard v. Hedsu and Madsen.
Single Championship.—On court 2. At 11.30 o'clock, Stephen v. Power; at 2.15 o'clock, Jordan v. Hansard; at 3.30 o'clock, Pockley v. Jones.
Double Championship.—On court 1. At 2.15 o'clock, Stacey and Savage v. Teece and Griffiths.

CENTENNIAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP DOUBLES.

The final matches in the Centennial Club Championship Doubles were played off at the club's courts on Saturday, and produced a number of very close and exciting finishes. The games played resulted in a win for Messrs. G. Palmer and H. Ironsides with a record of nine sets 103 games, Messrs. A. Maguire and W. Gardner following closely with nine sets 101 games, and Messrs. J. Humphries and J. A. Preshaw nine sets 100 games.

BOWRAL, Thursday.

A lawn tennis match was played yesterday afternoon between teams representing Comerton Park and Beauchamp Club, Mittagong, the result being a win for the latter by one game. Scores were: Beauchamp Club 54 games, Comerton Park 53 games. Afternoon tea was provided by lady members of the Beauchamp Club.

PICTURES OF THE DEPARTURE OF THE BUSHMEN IN THIS WEEK'S "MAIL."

Passing the Town Hall. Passing the Post Office. Starting from the Broadway. View from the Domain. A Bushman's Dog. The horses. Arriving at the wharf. View of Woolloomooloo Bay. In George-street West. At the wharf.—Advt.

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SHIPPING REPORTS.

(Continued from Page 4.)

The steamer Futami Maru sailed yesterday for Hongkong, with gold valued at £5575, shipped by Chinese.

Captain T. Law Johnstone reports that the Surimbla left Brisbane at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1, and arrived at Watson's Bay at 4.20 p.m., yesterday received pratique at 4.45 p.m., and arrived at Flood and Co.'s Wharf at 5.30 p.m.

Captain C. C. Mackenzie reports that the Allinga left Cairns on April 25, Townsville on the 27th, Mackay on the 28th, Rockhampton on the 29th, Cape Moreton at 8.25 p.m., and entered Sydney Heads at 9.15 p.m. on May 3, arriving at the wharf at 10 p.m.

The "Hawaiian Gazette" of March 23 states that a ship's boat, containing three men, had been picked up. The men stated that they were from the steamer Cleveland, and reported having left the vessel with a broken shaft 320 miles north-west of the group. No local steamer was available to send for the disabled vessel, but it is thought she may have been picked up by a passing steamer. The Cleveland was built in 1881, and valued at £120,000. She left Hawaii for San Francisco on March 13, with raw sugar valued at £20,000.

Commander Henry Marley Lambert, R.N.R., marine superintendent for the joint railway companies and harbourmaster at Newhaven, died at his residence, Cathey, Newhaven, on March 21, from typhoid fever, supposed to have been contracted during a recent visit to Egypt, at the early age of 40 years. Captain Lambert, who was very popular, and whose untimely loss will be greatly deplored by a large circle of friends, was a younger brother of the Trinity House, was in the P. and O. Company's service prior to being appointed to Newhaven, and was one of the first Naval Reserve officers to undergo 12 months' training in the fleet.

The new Norddeutscher-Lloyd steamer Strasburg, 5000 tons gross, built for that company's line of cargo boats to the Far East, was launched at Bremen on March 17.

Lloyd's statistical tables for 1899 show that the British tonnage transferred to foreigners last year reached the large total of 609,589 tons gross, which is a record.

The chief purchasers of British tonnage last year were:—Spain, 116,000 tons gross; Italy, 83,000; Germany, 65,000; France and Norway, each 60,000; Sweden, 35,000; Greece, 35,000; America, 20,000; Denmark, 21,000.

THE FLINTSHIRE.

The ship Flintshire, to Messrs. Dalton Brothers, from Sharpness, left on January 31 with a moderate E. wind. Took the N.E. trades in lat. 26°, long. 21° W., on February 27, crossed the equator in 27° W., and had good S.E. trades to March 27. Passed the meridian of the Cape 55 days out in lat. 45° S., and in making the easting had the winds chiefly N.W. to N. On April 8 passed Possession Island, 41 miles off; on April 28 passed Cape Pillar, Tasmania; thence to port had N.W. to N. winds. Anchored in Watson's Bay at 7.30 p.m. on May 3, 92 days out.

THE TYSER LINE.

Messrs. Tyser and Co. have been advised by cable that the steamer Star of Australia left London on Monday last for Australia and New Zealand.

HARBOUR REMOVALS.

The R.M.S. Mariposa berths at Circular Quay to-morrow.

The steamer Kassala was floated out of Mort's Dock yesterday and anchored in Neutral Bay.

The barque Ancenis went into Mort's Dock yesterday for cleaning and painting. She will float out to-day and move to the Orient buoy.

CHARTERS.

Ben Cruachan, ship, Brisbane and Townsville to London.
Meridian, barque, Brisbane to London.
Carl, barque, Newcastle to West Coast.
Adolphe, barque, Newcastle to West Coast.
Matiora, barque, Newcastle to West Coast.
Buckingham, s., Newcastle to an Eastern port.
Holyrood, s., Newcastle to an Eastern port.
Messrs. Nelson and Robertson report:—
Eos, barque, Fiji to United Kingdom or Continent.
William Tillie, New Caledonia to Swansea.
Lady Isabella, ship, New Zealand to United Kingdom.
Alexander Lawrence, barque, Albany to Cape ports.
Holt Hill, four-masted barque, Frederikstad to Melbourne.
Beacon Rock, ship, Tyne to Port Pirie.
Alice, barque, New York to Auckland.
Blairgowrie, ship, Liverpool to Melbourne.
Don Diego, barque, Liverpool to New Zealand.
Thirlmere, ship, Newcastle to West Coast.

SAILING VESSELS DUE.

AT SYDNEY.

Cardigan Castle, barque (JRVS), from Eureka—51 days.
Columbia, four-masted schooner, from Tacoma—64 days.
Capica, barque (KWRJ), from Glasgow—80 days.
Drammen, barque (PGBT), from Tacoma—61 days.
Flintshire, ship (QHFK), from Sharpness—93 days.
Halewood, ship (KBGJ), from Hamburg—102 days.
Teresa, barque (SLND), from Marseilles—104 days.
Tuskar, ship, from Table Bay—75 days.

AT NEWCASTLE.

Cambrian Hills, ship (LWNS), from Table Bay—50 days.
Celtic Queen, ship (MDSB), from Table Bay—50 days.
Dunkeld, barque (QWNV), from Algoa Bay—43 days.
General Faidherbe, barque (SPGH), from Fremantle—30 days.
Glenfarg, barque (WFDH), from Liverpool—91 days.
Kriemhilda, s.d. Lek, barque (PHTB), from Pekalongan—50 days.
Lucknow, barque (MDGH), from Fremantle—35 days.
Marlgwyn, barque (JQBW), from Girgenti—102 days.
Magnat, barque, from Table Bay—42 days.
Michele Bianchi, ship, from Monte Video—92 days.
Narcissus, ship, from Rockhampton—16 days.
North Riding, ship (TPLG), from Table Bay—42 days.
Orpheus, ship (HPNL), from Trieste—109 days.
Perseverance, ship, from Froudhoga—73 days.
Port Sonachan, barque (KQBV), from Algoa Bay.
Republic, ship, from Melbourne—3 days.
Serena, barque (NCFW), from Melbourne—6 days.
Wynnstay, ship (JPKN), from Rio Janeiro—75 days.

DEATH OF AN ESTEEMED ENGINEER.

The death is announced of Mr. J. M'Queen, senior engineer of the Union Steamship Company, which took place at Otago, New Zealand. The deceased first arrived at Port Chalmers as chief engineer of the U.S.S. Company's Taupo, under Captain J. M'Farlane, in the latter part of 1875, and has continuously held a similar position in many of the company's steamers, his last charge being that of the steamer Waihora, from which at the time of decease he was absent on sick leave. Mr. M'Queen had an honourable record of 25 years' active service with the company, and such was the conduct that it gained him the approbation of all with whom he was associated.

ENGLISH FREIGHT REPORT.

Under London date March 28 are quotations:—Except for Newcastle, N.S.W., chartering, business was quiet. From the W.C.S.A., 33s 9d gusco for August-September loading was paid for several handy vessels. San Francisco loading, 41s 3d prompt and 38s 9d new season were done, and 30s to W.C.S.A. From Portland (O.), 38s 9d December and 40s new season, with 40s wheat June and 37s 6d new season from Tacoma. From Fraser River 40s salmon September-October was done. A spot ship got 47s 6d from Sydney to London or Liverpool. From Newcastle, N.S.W., 20s, 19s 6d, and 18s were all done for W.C.S.A., and for the round voyage 5¼s, 51s 3d was paid for one port only on the coast. A cargo for Salaverry was fixed at 24s. Outward rates were:—To San Francisco, 15s 6d from London, 15s 6d from Swansea, and 14s 6d, 16s 6d from Hull and Tyne. From New York case oil cargoes were done at 24½c. Hongkong, 24½c, 25½c. for Japan, September-October loading.

THE BRITISH CORPORATION.

It has been said in Sydney that the British Corporation is to some extent an unknown quantity in maritime affairs. The Liverpool "Journal of Commerce," just to hand through Captain John Vine Hall, has an article upon the objects of the society. In its leader the exchange quoted says:—"According to the latest evidence—that given at the annual meeting of the British Corporation for the Survey and Registry of Shipping, held in Glasgow—this institution is in a flourishing condition. Mr. Nathaniel Dunlop was able to affirm that with shipowners and underwriters their corporation continued to grow in favour. While such a statement is only what all people interested in shipping and having some acquaintance with this progressive registry would naturally expect, there are many who do not even yet seem to have grasped the important fact that this institution, which was founded about 10 years ago, started with a stride, the value of which to shipowners and builders cannot well be over-estimated. The evil of inherent weakness in a ship's hull needs no literary embellishment to emphasise its seriousness; nor on the other hand is it necessary to be a naval architect or expert to understand the material loss to the shipowner in decrease carrying power owing to an unnecessary load being carried in the shape of excessive weight of structural material where such is not needed for the safety of the ship. That such an organisation as the British Corporation was founded, where shipowners and naval architects could have their progressive ideas assessed at their proper value, so far as progressive expert opinion could value the same, is, under the circumstances, only natural. It is gratifying to the corporation that some 600 vessels carry its trade mark, representing a million and a half tons."

SALES OF SHIPPING.

The steamer Menmuir, 1980 tons gross, 1287 tons net, built by Messrs. W. Doxford and Sons, Sunderland, in 1878, with new engines in 1889, 19in., 27in., 38in., and 54in., by 42in. stroke, and owned by the Eastern and Australian Steamship Company, Limited, has been sold to the China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited (Messrs. William Adamson and Co.), London, and will be re-named the Perla.

The barque Lord Rosebery, the sale of which vessel was announced recently, was disposed of for £2,000.

The iron barque Moel Tryfan, 1085 tons register, built by Messrs. W. Doxford and Son, Sunderland, in 1877, has been sold to Germans for £5000, sellers passing her through her survey.

The steel steamer Craiglee, 1921 tons gross, 1233 tons net, built by the Campbeltown Shipbuilding Company in 1889, with engines 21in., 33in., and 54in., by 39in. stroke, by Messrs. Muir and Houston, and owned by Messrs. Burgart and Fulton, Glasgow, has been sold to the Snowdon Steamship Company, Limited (Messrs. Charles Radcliffe and Co.), Cardiff, for £18,750.

FRENCH SUBMARINE BOATS.

"Le Yacht" says that after the "repair" of her accumulators, which had been recently damaged, presumably by too rapid discharge, the Morse, submarine boat, continued her trials and attained a maximum speed of 12.32 knots. This means practically that she can be depended upon for a speed of 10 knots, against the 8 knots of the Gustave Zede. With reference to the other French submarine boats, the Minister of Marine, in the discussion on the budget, stated the official reasons for the delay in building the Triton and Sirene, the two boats of the Narval type. These reasons were that in the case of new types of vessels improvements always suggested themselves, and that the designer of the Narval wished to take advantage to the utmost of these improvements in building the new boats.

SHIPBUILDING IN THE UNITED STATES.

New York report of March 10 says:—Shipyards in this country continue to be rushed. There are 37 steel vessels now in process of construction on the Delaware, besides a lot of repairing. The Sewall yard at Bath, Me., have completed plans for two new four-masted steel sailing ships of about 3500 tons each, work on which will begin next month. A notable new contract in the shipbuilding line is that for a fleet of six iron barges and an ocean-going tug to supersede the wooden sailing vessels until now employed in transporting lime from quarries in Maine to New York. The leakage of these wooden vessels has occasioned many disasters from fire, and the new barges will each have a carrying capacity of 16,000 barrels of lime.

THE SALVAGE AWARD OF THE WAIKATO.

By English mail of yesterday's date are full particulars of the Judges' award in the case of the New Zealand Shipping Company's disabled steamer Waikato, the brief result of which was given by cable. The case came before Sir Francis Jeune and Trinity Masters on March 21, and was an action brought by the owners, master, and crew of the steamship Asloun, of Aberdeen, to recover salvage for services rendered to the steamship Waikato, belonging to the New Zealand Shipping Company. It will be remembered that the Waikato, when she was at length brought into port by the plaintiffs, was more than four months overdue. According to the statement of claim, the Asloun is a steel screw steamship of 2828 tons gross register, fitted with engines of 286-h.p. nominal, and 1200-h.p. effective, and belongs to the Adam Steamship Company. She left London with a general cargo, and manned with a crew of 30 hands all told. The services extended over a period of 24 days, and the Asloun was delayed 21 days on her voyage. Her owners had been put to considerable expense, and had an action by the cargo-owners pending against them. By the entire services the Waikato and her crew were rescued from almost certain total loss. The value of the Asloun was £24,000, of her cargo £88,800, and of her freight at risk £320, making a total of £106,920. The value of the Waikato was appraised at £41,000, and of her cargo at £90,000, making together £131,000. His Lordship, in giving judgment, said that the service rendered by the Asloun in this case was one of the most valuable they had had in that court. It was remarkable in the length of time the Waikato was knocking about, and remarkable for the high values. The service was rendered with great pluck, courage, and skill, under great difficulties, in comparatively unknown seas, and in latitudes where tempestuous weather was to be met with. A service of this exceptional magnitude merited a high award, and the proper sum to give in this case was £16,500, which he apportioned as follows:—£12,500 to the owners, £1300 to the master, and £2700 to the crew.

A NEW STEAMER FOR THE UNION COMPANY.

On March 20 the steel steamer Whangape, built by Sir Raylton Dixon and Co., Middlesbrough, to the order of the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand, London, proceeded to sea for her official trials. She is built to Lloyd's spar-deck rule, 100 A1 class, her principal dimensions being 330ft. by 44ft. 8in. by 23ft. 9in., with a deadweight carrying capacity of about 4700 tons on a light draft. The upper decks are of steel and iron, and the poop, bridge, and forecastle decks of pitch pine. The accommodation for officers, &c., is handsomely fitted up in houses on bridge-deck, and the crew are located in forecastle. Triple expansion engines have been fitted by T. Richardson and Sons, Limited, Hartlepool, having cylinders 23in., 36in., and 59in., by 42in. stroke, supplied with steam by two large single-ended boilers, working at 180lb. pressure. The trials passed off most successfully.

FIRING OF A COAL CARGO.

From Honolulu it is reported that the Norwegian barque Fortuna arrived at that port on the 6th ultimo after a passage of 87 days from Newcastle, being laden with 1200 tons of coal. On the 10th ultimo the cargo was found to be on fire. Smoke began to leak out of the hatches, and when they were opened it was seen that there was a good deal of fire somewhere below. As usual, the combustion seemed to be under the main hatch, but could not be exactly located. It was decided to dock the vessel at once and get the coal out of her as quickly as possible. The Fortuna was moved to the coal wharf, and a tug pumped water into her hold at the main hatch, and the discharge of cargo was begun. The fire became worse again next day, and an engine was secured to pump water into the vessel. Later news says the cargo has been accepted by the consignees, and will not have to be sold by auction. It was at first rejected, and the sale was advertised.

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PASTORAL INTELLIGENCE.

ALBURY, Thursday.

The following stock movements are recorded:—200 sheep, Jinders to Yerong Creek, F. S. Caprou; 526 merino rams, Perincollock to Lake Midgeon, E. A. Austin; 2 horses, Wagga to Caulfield, E. Davis; 6 horses, Sydney to Melbourne, D. M'Kinnon; 295 ram lambs, Round Hill to Coonong, S. M'Caughey; 8000 wethers, Hume district to Corowa, M'Geoch and Glenn; 330 fat sheep, Albury to Wodonga, M. Reeves; 10 horses, Sydney to Melbourne, W. C. Yuille and Co.; 350 merino ewes, Albury to Urana, C. Fealy; 104 fat wethers, Albury to Homebush, J. T. Martin; 1603 merino ewes, Albury to Cookardinia, J. H. Benjamin.

GLEN INNES, Thursday.

Stock passings to date are:—94 wethers, Oakleigh to Plein View, Reddelstone, A. Shara; 1315 mixed sheep, Glencoe, returning to Bellwood Park, Boggabilla, Mrs. L. Wood; 24 ewes, Willow Lake to Graham's Valley, Glencoe, R. C. Willis; 95 fat wethers, Snow Vale to Flemington, P. B. Coventry; 288 fat wethers, Stonehenge to Flemington, G. M. Simpson; 188 fat wethers, Glen Vale, Dundee, to Flemington, Chappell Brothers; 300 fat wethers, Wellingrove to Flemington, A. P. Lord; 200 mixed fat sheep, Highfield to Flemington, John Mitchell; 2100 mixed sheep, Tent Hill, returning Boggabilla, A. E. Whitehouse; 333 merino rams, Abbey Green for Brisbane, Australian Estates and Mortgage Company; 3700 wethers, Dumble to Bukkulla, H. Wyndham; 400 mixed sheep, Guyra to Glencoe, Ashford, D. Sutherland; 430 mixed sheep, Gum Flat, Inverell, to Glencoe, Glen Innes, V. L. Green; 2800 fat wethers, Arrawatta and Bannockburn, Inverell, for Riverstone, B. Richards and Sons; 1086 fat wethers, Deepwater to Flemington, W. T. Cadell; 134 ewes, Rose Hill to Wandsworth, Thomas M'Donald; 400 ewes, Rose Hill to Glencoe, L. Taylor; 200 ewes, Glendon to Glencoe, B. Snow; 77 ewes, Duncan's selection to Glencoe, A. Henman; 103 ewes, Calla for Beardy, James O'Hara; 66 ewes, Rosefield to Fairfield, George Barry; 31 fat cattle, Shannon Vale to Flemington, R. M'Master; 75 fat cattle, Blair Hill East to Flemington, W. L. Beauchamp; 10 fat cattle, Glen Innes to Flemington, H. King; 30 fat cattle, Tenterfield to Flemington, F. Dearden; 50 fat cattle, Tenterfield to Flemington, A.J.S. Bank; 96 fat cattle, Bolivia, Deepwater to Flemington, E. White; 46 fat cattle, Tenterfield to Flemington, H. Donnelly; 90 fat cattle, Casino to Flemington, J. M'Kee; 28 fat cattle, Deepwater to Flemington, W. T. Cadell; 203 fat cattle, New Koreelah, Killarney to Flemington, A. M. White; 9 horses, Glen Innes to Singleton, Pearl and Cunningham.

AMUSEMENTS.

THEATRICAL "LAST NIGHTS."

The final performance of the "Manœuvres of Jane" will be given at the Theatre Royal to-night; and similarly "The Irishman" will be staged for the last time at the Lyceum Theatre.

PROFESSOR RENTOUL.

The Rev. Professor Rentoul, of Ormond College, Melbourne, who is well known in New South Wales and the adjoining colonies, is expected to arrive in Sydney on Saturday. He will conduct the morning and evening services at St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church on Sunday.

The following is the report of the Benevolent Asylum for the week ended May 2:—Provisions distributed, 2821 loaves bread, 1315lb. flour, 2000lb. meat, 835lb. sugar, 200½lb. tea, 90½lb. sago, 157lb. rice, 171½lb. oatmeal. There were 13 fresh applications for relief. The cases reported by the inspectors numbered 50. The total number of cases relieved was 767, representing 2386 adults and children.

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CHAPTER XVII.
WITHOUT A FAMILY AUDIENCE.

The door opened to admit a slender young man of medium height, with an expression of extreme seriousness on his countenance.

And it was no wonder that Lionel looked serious. From the moment that he had been told he was to go to Henham Park, he had realised that to Henham Park go he must; whatever he said, or whatever anyone else said, the thing had got to be done; and it is almost pathetic to think how much this meant to our young man.

He hated going anywhere out of his own beat. Reserved and diffident by nature, the circumstances of his boyhood and youth, the consciousness of being never wanted, always got rid of when possible, the fear of intrusion, the horror of self-assertion—all combined to freeze his blood and make it an effort to do anything strange or new.

To most young people there is something agreeable in the anticipation of making fresh acquaintances, particularly if these happen to be of a promising kind. Visions of gaiety and jollity entwine themselves into the prospect.

If there be a little natural bashfulness at the outset, it is felt that this will pass; while as often as not the drawback is not even there.

It was always there, a giant in size, and completely obscuring the light beyond, in Lionel Colvin's case.

Nor had the light, as a rule, been of a nature to dazzle him when its rays, such as they were, shone forth.

By this time he was stolidly quiescent in the Farrell drawing-rooms and other drawing-rooms of the sort to which he and his sisters were accustomed; he could stand still wherever he found himself, and if let alone remain standing still—or if talked to, talk back—or again, if desired to render a lady a service, render it—all with perfect outward propriety and inward indifference.

The Farrells did very well; he felt equal to the Farrells. "They are about our level, now," he told himself.

But with Lady Blanche Massitur the case was different; the frozen blood thawed and rioted in his veins; he was ashamed of himself; ashamed to catch himself wondering if he should look, and act, and feel as he ought to do.

"Why should I mind? Other fellows would not mind," he muttered. "It's a deuce of a shame that I should mind;" for though not used to strong language, the strength of the case extorted it.

And then she was "Blanche."

A great curiosity at times overpowered every other emotion. His father's ideal, the writer of those letters so dear to their recipient, bequeathed by him as his most priceless treasure.

"Blanche!" He had never hoped, never dreamed of hoping, for such a thing as to meet "Blanche" face to face, though it had sometimes crossed his mind that in the future there was always a possibility of hearing whether or not she still existed, were married or single, had children or the like?

It may be wondered that he had not thought of this on coming to a neighbourhood where a lady of the name resided; but "No, no; it cannot be her," he had early decided, for the rank and status of his wealthy neighbour seemed to preclude the idea, and he had never mentioned it even to Bet. "There are plenty of 'Blanches,' it is quite a common name," reflected he; and speedily forgot the coincidence.

Now it returned to comfort him and rehabilitate him somewhat in his own esteem, as affording a reasonable motive for silencing chatter about Henham, whose very name he preferred not to hear whilst it was still an unknown, mysterious land.

"Do tell them to be quiet about it," he had implored Bet; and Bet told—with additions of her own.

They could not however suppress excitement among themselves; and he saw it; and, as may be imagined, his own tremors were not allayed thereby.

He set off from the church door.

"Aren't you coming home first?" Georgie was about to run after her brother, but Bet with a firm hand held her back.

"But he's going now," cried she, looking round with astonished face. "Don't you see? He's not going back with us, though it is quite as near from our back way—oh, Bet, I wish you wouldn't," jerking her arm from the other's grasp. "You do hurt. I only thought that Lionel——"

Lionel however was out of hearing.

"Now you may say what you like," quoth Bet, grimly. "Go on——" as no result followed. "If you must be idiotic, you must; why don't you go on?" sarcastic and triumphant.

Georgie marched off with Poll, and swung a gate in her sister's face. She had a plump little arm, and it really was sore from Bet's pinch; she felt furious with Bet.

"But they'll make it up in half an hour, and go to meet Lionel without telling me, I shouldn't wonder," reflected Poll, who knew their ways. "They just shan't. I'll take care they don't."

It was not merely the heat which had ruffled the feathers of all three little birds; the tumultuous emotions of the past few days had proved too much for their nerves.

Let us return to Lionel.

His appearance within the great saloon where Lady Blanche sat, without her having caught any glimpse of his approaching figure in the avenue, of which she commanded a view, was due to his having taken a circuitous route in order not to arrive too soon.

He had walked slowly; sat on the bridge by which his sisters had dabbled in the brook; lingered here and there, consulting his watch at intervals; and at length found that by taking a round not thought of before, skirting the park and entering by farm precincts in the rear, he could just reach his destination at the fateful "two o'clock"—on which he had started afresh briskly. The stable clock clanged its two deliberate strokes almost at the same instant as that in the drawing-room, and a dozen more within the mansion chimed and tinkled theirs; and Lionel gulped in his throat and rang the front-door bell ere the last ting-ting sounded.

Someone else also gulped in her throat, as Lady Blanche rose and walked half across the room to greet her guest.

She was the first to speak as was right and proper.

"I have been watching for you from the window," said she cheerfully—he might have been the most ordinary acquaintance by her accent; "but I suppose you took another way?" returning to her seat, and looking suggestively towards another.

He explained that he had taken another way.

"There is some shade in the lanes, no doubt?" There was some shade.

"And I really think this is the hottest day we have had," proceeded Lady Blanche, easily. "Even in Germany it was not as hot as this. My niece and I have just returned from Homburg——" and she proceeded to enlarge.

To herself she was saying: "So like—oh, so like. The same thoughtful, earnest face; the same perfect repose of manner; the same, the very same voice, only a little lower and less decided. Lionel could speak with a great deal of decision at times." Aloud: "I am so glad you could come to us to-day, because, as it happens, we are alone, and it is so much pleasanter to be alone when one first meets with—your sisters have told you of the old friendship?"

He quaked. Had not Bet promised him there should be no reference to "the old friendship?" What if it were beginning? If he were now expected to be confidential and responsive? But scarce had the thought sent a shiver through his veins, ere he perceived his terror groundless. In quite an every-day voice his hostess was proceeding:

"You cannot think how rejoiced I am to find in my old friend's daughters companions for my niece so near at hand, and just her own age. I really felt quite aggrieved to learn that so much time has been already wasted. But, after all, we are none of us likely to fly away, and there is still some of the summer, even of this summer left. You are not free often in the daytime, I understand?"

He explained that he was never free, Saturday afternoons and Sundays excepted.

"Several of my nephews tell me the same of themselves," said her ladyship, with a useful remembrance of one grumbling youth [illegible] on his hard lot (in reality a much easier one than Lionel's). "So many young men are in offices nowadays. But I fancy you must do some soldiering?" smiled she, for her eye had noticed his straight back and well-poised head.

He admitted being a volunteer.

Lady Blanche thought as much, evidently plumed herself on her perspicuity, and was great on volunteering.

"She didn't look down on it, I assure you," Lionel told his sisters afterwards.

They were getting on nicely when the luncheon gong sounded, and with the summons the younger lady appeared.

"Now I do wonder what he is like!" thought Miss Leonora, as she turned the handle of the door.

She herself was the fairest of the fair as far as hair and complexion went; not precisely what would be called a pretty girl, if one were critical as to the regularity of feature, but with all the advantages of a light figure, elegance of movement, and perfect attitudes. Her frock, of cream-coloured summer silk, with soft rufflings round throat and wrist, was further set off by a bunch of dark red roses at the waist.

He approved mentally.

"Sunday is always a hungry day," said Lady Blanche, having also noted with approval the grave bow which acknowledged her introduction; and as the young man rose to his feet and remained standing, she rose also. "We are all hungry people, I hope;" and she led the way to the dining-room.

(To be continued.)

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE.

A meeting of the United Irish League was held on Tuesday evening at the G.U.O.O.F. Hall, Castlereagh-street, the president (Mr. O'Halloran) being in the chair. There was a large attendance, and several new members were enrolled. The principal business of the evening was a motion by the hon. secretary of the league regarding Wexford-street. Mr. M'Dowall said that it had often occurred to him that that the Irish people of Sydney should protest against the attachment of the ancient and honourable name of Wexford to this thoroughfare. He moved,—"That the United Irish League of Australia take active steps to secure the effacement of the name of Wexford from the thoroughfare now bearing it." Mr. J. L. MacCarthy seconded the resolution, and said that the jealous guardianship of the national honour was the first duty of the league. Mr. M'Sweeney considered the matter one beyond the scope of the league; so also did Mr. Tracey. Mr. P. J. O'Driscoll, J.P. (S.A.), said that no matter that affected Irish people could be considered outside the scope of the league. He entirely approved of the resolution as being *in the best interests of* the Irish race in Australia. The Rev. Father Tracey supported the resolution, which he thought was in the best interests of the Irish people. The motion was carried.

THE PROTECTIONISTS' CONFERENCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Among the many questionable statements which distinguish the voluminous report issued by the late protectionists' conference, one merits immediate exposure, inasmuch as it is a perfect example of the manner in which the protectionists habitually mislead the public. The statement is: "They (the conference) find the consumption of sugar almost the same in New South Wales, where the import duty has been £3, as in Victoria, where it has been £6. Moreover, the retail selling price has been almost the same in Sydney and Melbourne, notwithstanding the difference of duty."

These statements are made to lead the public to believe that the *federal* duty of £9 per ton on cane sugar and £14 per ton on beet sugar, which the protectionists' conference advocates, will not materially increase the price, nor reduce the consumption, of sugar. Yet both statements are absolutely incorrect and misleading.

First, as to consumption. The protectionists' conference, like everyone else, cannot obtain any reliable information as to the *consumption of sugar* in these colonies except from the published statistics collected by the Government Statists. The latest comparative statistics available are contained in "Seven Colonies, 1897-98," p. 352, and give the consumption of sugar per head of population as follows: New South Wales 95·9lb., Victoria 92·9lb., or 3lb. more for every man, woman, and child in the freetrade colony. But in 1897-8 the duty on sugar was in New South Wales £5 6s 8d per ton, whereas in Victoria it was the same as now, £6 per ton. The protectionists' conference, therefore, had no information as to the relative consumption of sugar under the existing condition of a difference of £3 per ton in the duty, and presumably if a difference of 12s 4d per ton does make a difference of over 3 per cent. in the consumption of sugar, a difference of £3 per ton will produce a very material difference in consumption.

The statement "the consumption of sugar is almost the same in New South Wales, where the import duty has been £3, as in Victoria, where it has been £6," is, therefore, drawn from the imagination of the protectionists' conference, intended to mislead the public with regard to the incidence of the proposed duties on sugar.

Still worse is the second case. The protectionists' conference alleges that the retail selling price of sugar has been almost the same in Sydney and Melbourne, notwithstanding a difference of £3 per ton in duty. I happened to have received the retail price list of Messrs. A. Hordern and Sons, of Sydney, on April 21; and on reading this allegation on April 27, I procured on the same day the retail price of sugar from both Messrs. Messrs. Foy and Gibson and the Mutual Store of Melbourne. In parenthesis I may say that when I published a comparison of prices between the two first-named firms about two years ago, the "Age" insisted that a true comparison lay between Messrs. Hordern and Sons and the Mutual Store. The present comparison, therefore, ought not to be objected to. The prices compare as follows for Colonial Sugar Company's best white sugar:—

	Hordern and Sons.	Foy and Gibson.	Mutual Store.
For parcel of 12lb.	2s	2s 6d	2s 6d
Per bag of 70lb.	11s 3d.	14s 3d.	14s.

On the smaller parcel, therefore, the retail price of both Melbourne firms is £4 13s 4d higher per ton than the price of the Sydney firm. On the larger parcel the price of Messrs. Foy and Gibson is £4 16s per ton higher, and that of the Mutual Store is £4 8s per ton higher than the price at which the Sydney firm sells the same sugar. A difference in duty of £3 per ton thus causes a difference in retail price per ton of from £4 8s to £4 16s; yet the protectionists' conference, either disregarding or in ignorance of these facts, as easily ascertainable by it as by myself, has the hardihood to assert that "the retail selling price has been almost the same in Sydney and Melbourne, notwithstanding the difference of duty." I am, &c.,

April 28. MAX HIRSCH.

Sir,—The letter I had the honour to address to you on the 28th April on the above subject is wrong in one particular. I took it for granted that the protectionists' conference when issuing an official statement would at least endeavour to correctly state the existing duties. I consequently accepted its assertion that the duty on refined sugar in New South Wales was £3 per ton. I however became suspicious to-day, and on consulting the authorities I find the duty to be £4 per ton, as compared with £6 in Victoria. This makes my case all the stronger, for it shows that a difference in duty of £2 per ton has caused a difference in the retail price of sugar of from £4 8s to £4 16s per ton, Melbourne consumers having to pay the higher price.

The probable explanation for this exceptionally great difference in price is that while beet sugar pays double the duty of cane sugar in Victoria, it is admitted in New South Wales at the same rate. In Victoria no beet sugar, therefore, is imported, while considerable quantities are imported into New South Wales.

I expect this competition compels the sale of cane sugar at a lower rate than the difference in duty suffices to explain. I am, &c.,

Melbourne, May 1. MAX HIRSCH.

CHEAP FOREIGN PAUPER LABOUR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—We are often told by our protectionist friends that our artisans must be protected from the competition of cheap foreign pauper labour, and your Melbourne correspondent of to-day writes in the same strain. I would like much if someone of authority in the protectionist camp would kindly inform us what is meant by the term. In the first place, what is pauper labour? And secondly, which are the countries exporting goods to these colonies where labour is employed in the manufacturing establishments at cheaper rates than those prevailing at similar industries, especially in Victoria? Certainly Great Britain is not one of these countries. The rate of pay is much higher there than here; it is by no means an uncommon thing in the textile factories for the family earnings to amount to over £6 per week, hence the splendid market her towns afford for our dairy produce; and in the iron trades the earnings are even on a higher scale. America is a large exporter, and wages are on a higher scale, too, than in Australia; and even in Germany so busy are the factories that wages are and long have been on the upward grade. Indeed, for many years past wages have been advancing everywhere throughout the world excepting in Australia, and the reason is not difficult to trace.

Perhaps, also, someone will kindly explain the meaning of the term "dumping ground," so often used. We all know that so busy are the factories in England and America that orders have to be booked a long time in advance, and those in Germany, too are fully employed. Their owners, therefore, are hardly likely to engage in the dumping process. Of course we live and learn. I am, &c.,

May 3. A SIMPLE CITIZEN.

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LAW REPORT.

THURSDAY, MAY 3.

BANCO COURT.

(Before the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Owen, and Mr Justice Cohen.)

ADMISSION OF BARRISTERS.

On the motion of the Attorney-General (Mr. B. R. Wise, Q.C.) Mr. William Arthur Parker and Mr. George Washington Waddell were admitted to the bar of New South Wales.

On the motion of Mr. Reid, Q.C., Mr. Richard Colonna-Close was, at his own request, struck off the roll of solicitors and readmitted to the bar of New South Wales.

THE BETTERMENT PRINCIPLE AS APPLIED TO LEASEHOLDS.

A CROSS APPEAL.

Harris v. Lee.

Mr. Pilcher, Q.C., Mr. Reid, Q.C., and Mr. G. Harris, instructed by Mr. M. J. Harris, appeared for the plaintiff in support of a rule nisi to set aside the verdict and for a new trial. The facts of the case have already been given in the appeal of the defendant to set aside the finding in favour of the plaintiff, and Mr. Pilcher now explained that plaintiff sought to obtain a new trial because he was of opinion that the sum awarded by the jury was not sufficient. The first and second grounds of appeal raised the question whether, on the betterment principle, the jury would not be entitled to take into consideration that the balance of the owners' land was under lease for 50 years, 99 years, or any other period; and whether, assuming that there was an enhancement in the value of the land by the work carried out by the Government during the currency of the lease, it would not be a benefit to the tenant and not to the owner's reversion in the land. What plaintiff contended was that in putting the value on the betterment the jury ought to be allowed to take into consideration that the other land of the owner had been let on leases having certain currencies, and to deduct the enhanced value to the tenant from the value to the owner. Assuming that the jury were perfectly right in allowing £750 as the enhanced value of the land, other than lots 1 and 2, the person who had to pay by the deduction for enhancement would not benefit by the enhancement for the term of the lease, and it would practically be no benefit to him at the present time. If the owner had £750 taken off the value of the land and he could not derive a benefit for 99 years, he would be placed in a very disadvantageous position. The jury should have estimated what the enhanced value to the owner would be at the end of 99 years, or whatever the term of the lease was.

Mr. Justice Cohen: How then is the Government, as against the owner in fee, to get the benefit of the betterment principle?

Mr. Pilcher: My answer to that is that if there is no provision for it in the Act it is not our fault.

Mr. Justice Owen: The provision in the Act is for the enhanced value of the land, and not of the owner's interest in the land.

Mr. Pilcher said it was both. The words of the proviso to section 24 of the Public Works Act were; "Provided always that the said magistrates, arbitrators, surveyors, valuators, and jury in ascertaining such purchase money or compensation shall take into consideration, and give effect to by way of set-off or abatement, any enhancement in the value of any land belonging to such owner adjoining the land taken or severed therefrom by the construction of the authorised work."

The Chief Justice: The point turns upon the meaning of the words "value of any land belonging to such owner," and whether the land which the owner had let for 99 years belonged to him within the meaning of the Act.

Mr. Pilcher: We say not, because it is only a reversion.

Argument was then proceeded with on the other points submitted, and the Court granted the rule on the following grounds:—1. That his Honor was in error in directing the jury that as to the enhancement in value of the whole block of the plaintiff's land, the question whether the land was under lease or not, was not to be considered, as the enhancement was of the value of the land and not of the interest of the owner in the land. 2. That his Honor should have directed the jury to take into consideration on the question of enhancement of value of the plaintiff's land the fact that leases had been granted of part of the land.

RULE NISI FOR ATTACHMENT.

Re H. E. Kugelmann (J. Norton respondent.)

Mr. Want, Q.C., and Mr. Broomfield, instructed by Mr. J. R. Baxter Bruce, appeared for H. E. Kugelmann, the plaintiff in a recent action against John Norton for alleged libel, and moved for a rule nisi calling upon the respondent to show cause why he should not be attached for contempt of court for commenting upon a case which was still pending. Mr. Want said that at the trial referred to, which was a very protracted one, the jury disagreed and were discharged; and on March 11, two days after the conclusion of the trial, respondent published an article in his newspaper, "Truth," which contained comments on the case and the evidence given by some of the witnesses, and also an attack upon the plaintiff. Counsel further pointed out that as the jury had disagreed plaintiff could set the cause down for hearing again, and if he did not do so within a certain time defendant could set it down and sign judgment if plaintiff did not proceed after a prescribed interval. That being so, the case must be taken as one still pending, and respondent was not justified in publishing any comments likely to prejudice plaintiff.

Rule granted, and made returnable on the 11th instant.

MOTION TO OUST AN ALDERMAN.

Re Richard Hawkins (James Gubbins respondent).

Dr. Sly, instructed by Mr. Anthony Hall, of Broken Hill, appeared on behalf of Richard Hawkins, of Broken Hill, miner, and moved for a rule nisi calling upon James Gubbins, of Broken Hill, fruiterer, to show cause why a writ of quo warranto should not be issued to oust him from the position of alderman of Wills Ward, in the borough of Broken Hill. The application was made under the 109th section of the Municipalities Act of 1897, and the main grounds were that the returning officer committed an irregularity under section 89 by asking an elector how he intended to vote, and that certain irregularities under section 90 were permitted, one of which was that the ballot was allowed to remain open after the poll had closed.

The rule was granted, and made returnable on the 17th instant.

A SOLICITOR CALLED ON.

Exparte J. Minogue re a Gent One.

The applicant, John Minogue, labourer, appeared in person and moved for a rule nisi calling upon a solicitor of the Court to answer certain statements contained in an affidavit filed by Minogue. The main allegations were that Minogue retained the attorney to institute and carry on a suit in equity for specific performance of a contract for the sale of certain land at Orange. This was in September, 1899, and the attorney agreed to do the work for £10 10s. At different times between September 22 and October applicant paid the respondent various sums of money, amounting in all to £10 10s, respondent having obtained the money by stating that the suit had been started, and that he required funds to carry it on. As a matter of fact the statement of claim was only served on November 21. The applicant stated further that although he lived 200 miles from Orange, and was anxious to leave Sydney in search of employment, he remained in the city at heavy expense, as respondent told him that he had better not leave. On December 4 last he went to the Equity Court at respondent's request, but the case was not called on, and upon making inquiry at the Equity Office he found that the case had not been set down at all. On December 19 respondent wrote to him asking for the correspondence in the matter, as it was absolutely necessary that he should see it, and adding that unless applicant bowed to his judgment it was impossible for him satisfactorily to carry on the suit. To this applicant replied that all the letters in the matter had previously been handed to him, and that respondent had handed them back, saying that he did not require them. Applicant also said he was willing to give him all the letters in his possession, and asked respondent why he had not set the suit down for trial. To this letter he had received no reply. Applicant now stated to the Court that the suit was set down for to-morrow week.

The Court made an order calling upon respondent to answer the matters contained in the affidavit, and to show cause why he should not be struck off the roll.

A REAL PROPERTY MATTER.

Re S. P. Hogg (C. L. Comber and another caveators).

Dr. Cullen and Mr. Harvey, instructed by Mr. T. M. Slattery, appeared for the applicant; and Mr. Rich and Mr. Newham, instructed by Messrs. Shorter and Son, for the caveators. The applicant, Samuel Peach Hogg, had applied to bring 23½ perches of land situated in Elizabeth-street, Sydney, under the provisions of the Real Property Act, and a caveat had been lodged by Clara Louisa Comber and another. The applicant now moved for an order directing the removal of the caveat, and declaring that applicant was finally successful, or, in the alternative, that issues should be settled for trial.

The case stands part heard.

APPEAL TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

Howell v. Neild.

On the motion of Mr. Pilcher, Q.C., who appeared for the defendant, conditional leave was given to the defendant to appeal to the Privy Council against the decision of the Full Court refusing a new trial in the breach of promise action.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson, Chief Judge in Equity.)

THE SALE OF AN ESTATE.

The hearing of the suit Langbridge v. Green was continued, and is part heard.

(Before Mr. Justice Walker.)

SUIT TO SET ASIDE A MORTGAGE.

The hearing of the action Rain v. Fullerton and others was continued, and is part heard.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

(Before the Registrar, Mr. A. Henry.)

CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS.

Re John Thomas Carson. Mr. Taylor for bankrupt. Adjourned to May 17 to enable the bankrupt to answer the report of the official assignee.

Re James M'Atear. Mr. M'Laughlin for bankrupt. The Registrar held that proper books had not been kept, that the bankrupt had contracted debts without reasonable expectation of being able to pay, and that he had filed an incomplete statement of his affairs. A certificate would be suspended for 12 months.

Re Alfred Edward Wamsley. Mr. Nott for bankrupt. The Registrar found that the bankrupt had not produced any books, that he contracted debts without reasonable or probable expectation of being able to pay them, that he continued to trade after knowing himself to be insolvent, and that he had filed an incomplete statement of affairs. A certificate would be suspended for 12 months.

MOTION TO CONFIRM RESOLUTION.

Re George Rudd. Mr. Nott for the bankrupt. A resolution allowing the bankrupt the use of his furniture was approved.

SINGLE MEETINGS.

Re Walter Fielding. Mr. Ellis for bankrupt. Adjourned to May 10.

Re Frank Lay Onus. Bankrupt was ordered to file accounts by May 12, and the meeting was adjourned to May 17.

Re William Norman. Bankrupt failed to appear. On the application of the official assignee the meeting was adjourned sine die.

Re Ralph A. Miller. The meeting was closed, and the public examination was declared concluded.

PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS.

Re Henry Joseph Denton and James Dundas Ironside. The latter bankrupt was examined by the official assignee, and the public examination of both bankrupts was declared concluded.

Re Harry Moss. Under examination by the official assignee, bankrupt said his name was Harry Buer, but he had always traded in this colony as Harry Moss, excepting on one occasion, when goods were knocked down to him in an auction-room in the name of Scott. He came from London, where he kept a small second-hand clothing shop, and travelled from London to Sydney under the name of Henry Oswald. His reason for changing his name then was that he had had trouble with his wife. She had become associated with another man and he determined to leave her. He never went through the marriage ceremony here with anyone. When he came to the colony he went to Manly and started a tea tent, swing boats, and aerial flight. He lost about £30 on that investment. The Registrar ordered the register to be amended as to the bankrupt's name. On the application of the official assignee the matter was adjourned to May 17.

SEQUESTRATIONS.

William Smidt, jun., of Goulburn. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

Patrick Dunn, of Brewarrina. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

LAND APPEAL COURT.

(Before the President and Commissioners Brandis and Houston.)

T. Dent, of Walgett, appealed against the recommendation of the local land board for the opening of a road from Brackenrigg's Crossing over the Castlereagh River, through portions of Nos. 13, 18, and 17, parish of Amos, county of Leichhardt, to the Carinda-Walgett Road, being part of the road from Bogewong to Walgett. Mr. Simpson appeared for appellant, and Mr. Pike for respondent. Mr. Pike raised the objection that the appeal had not been signed by appellant. This was admitted, but it was urged that the objection was not fatal, as the appellant's son had signed for and by the authority of his father. The Court held that the signature was not appellant's, and declined to admit fresh evidence to show that the appeal was signed by his authority. The appeal was dismissed.

The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, Limited, appeal against the decision of the Bourke Land Board in respect of claim for half cost of fencing the boundaries common to freehold portion No. 2 of 40 acres, parish of Gunderbooka, county Yanda, and homestead lease No. 1572, Bourke, was by consent postponed.

Goldsbrough, Mort, and Company, Limited, appealed against the decision of the Condobolin Land Board in respect of claim by W. T. Webb, D. M. Taylor, and C. F. Taylor, for half cost of rabbit-proof fencing on common boundary of their conditional leases, Nos. 15615 and 15616, Condobolin, and freehold portions Nos. 2 and 7 parish of Pullagal, county of Gipps. Mr. Simpson appeared for the appellant company, and Mr. Pike for respondents. After argument as to the authority of persons to sign for Goldsbrough, Mort, and Company, the Court held that, following what they considered to be the principle acted upon in recent decisions of the Court with regard to the sufficiency of signatures of companies, both corporate and incorporate, to notices of appeal, this objection on the part of respondent must be overruled, Mr. Brandis, the President said, was not without considerable doubts on the point, but, nevertheless, did not think he was obliged to dissent. The signatures in the case, continued the President, were Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co. (printed), H. A. Moore in writing, Inspector W. A. Moore in writing, Inspector of Stations in type. Here the authority of Mr. Moore to sign for Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co. had not been specifically denied. They held that the appeal was sufficiently signed under the provisions of the C. L. and Rabbit Acts. In the case in re Gibson, an appeal against the opening of a road, which was the first case cited by Mr. Pike, a similar objection had been taken, and the President had used these words:—"It seems to us, looking at the terms of this notice, that it ought to have been signed either by the parties aggrieved or by one of them. It is possible that by this ruling very great hardship may be caused, but it is, in my opinion, a matter only to be cured by another regulation. It seems to me that the rule should provide for an agent signing under certain conditions, such as, perhaps, giving security for costs and producing his authority to act." The members of the Court repeated the remark made by the President, adding to it the emphasis which experience had shown to the Court to be attached to questions of this kind, that is to say, to the extent to which agency should be recognised. It would be useful to the suitors before the court and the court itself, if a regulation could be framed which would properly deal with this matter of signatures to appeals by agents. There was none now existing whereby an agent, whether authorised or not, could sign, and some such provision should be made.

Mr. Pike contended that he did deny the right of Mr. Moore to sign the papers.

The *further hearing of the* case was adjourned to the following day.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Friday, May 4.

Term List.—Crown cases: Regina v. Stelious Patrick, same v. Launcelot Ernest Johnson and Norman Johnson. Motion on notice: In re S. P. Hogg, C. L. Comber caveator, to remove caveat or to settle issues (part heard). Special cases: Josephson v. Young, Davies v. Williamson, Chiplin v. Middleton.

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: Motions generally—Gotthelf v. Saywell, motion for injunction; re Barbara Zymack, re application of, &c., and Act 30 of 1899, motion to make rule absolute; Parke and Lacy Company v. Mount Kimo Gold-mining Company, summons to consider sufficiency of discovery affidavit; Harris v. Dickens, motion for decree; re trusts of the Roman Catholic Presbytery at Gundagai and Act 52 George III., cap. 101, petition for leave to sell; Minister for Works and John Carr, deceased, petition for payment out; Boulter v. Boulter, further consideration; Hickson v. Hickson, further consideration; Ryan v. Ryan, motion for directions; same v. same, petition for leave to sell; Bridge v. Bridge, motion for decree; Cameron v. Hill, summons for substituted service. Before the Master in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: Company matters, Lunacy matters. At 2 p.m.: Mercantile Building L. and I. Company, for directions; Candy and Mitchell v. Parker, to settle minutes of decree; same v. Poole, to settle minutes of decree; same v. Powell, to settle minutes of decree; Dallan v. Garvan, to settle minutes of order. Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Ex parte Himmelock and another and L. P. Act, to tax costs (all day).

Chamber List.—At 9.30 a.m.: Dowling and another v. Riley, for judgment; ex parte Fanhill, prohibition; Cheney v. Bardwell, for change of venue; Auld v. A'Beck, A'Beck and another garnishees; Mott and another v. Clarke and others, mining appeal, to file affidavits; Hall v. Mottashaw, sheriff's interpleader (four cases).

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary.—In re gen., one, &c., 11.

Before the Registrar in Divorce.—Glynn v. Glynn, 2.15.

Before the Deputy Registrar in Divorce.—Atkins v. Atkins, 2.30.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before his Honor the Probate Judge.—At 10.30: Motions for probates and administrations, motions to pass accounts and for commission, motions to sell real estate, miscellaneous motions. Before the Deputy Registrar.—To pass accounts: John Bellhorn, 10.45; Sir John C. Reid, 11; R. Stevenson, 11; John Campbell, 11.30; Patrick Hoban, 12; R. W. Smith, 12.30.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy.—Hearing of creditors' petitions: Resch's Waverley Brewery v. Alexander Stuart Myers, Jewell, Davis, and Co. v. A. G. Ascher, Thomas Crowdace v. Martin Zobel. Single meetings: Henry Lorenzen and Ole Johan Carlson, Duncan Finley. Re Edward Fletcher, motion section 61. Examinations under section 30: Ada Anslow, Duncan Finley.

DISTRICT COURT.—Friday, May 4.
(Before his Honor Judge Murray, at 9.30 a.m.)

Causes.—Abbott v. Stewart (part heard), Rudd v. Baines (for judgment).

Motions Generally.—Payten and another v. Morley, Foster and another v. Gavin, Allan v. Cashman, Stuart v. Newland, Booker v. Lumsden, Booker v. Green, Shertel v. Gebuhr, Booker v. Kingsbury, Smith v. Wright, Briscoe and others v. Moore, Floyd v. Symons, Sharp and another v. Lambert, Bates v. Russo.

Note.—The list will be called over punctually at 10 a.m.

(Before the Registrar, in No. 2 Court).

Bone v. Brown, 10.30 a.m.; Goodall v. Hore, 10.45 a.m.

POLICE COURTS.

Malicious Injury to Property.—At the Redfern Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Isaacs, S.M., Annie Hardman was charged with having maliciously injured a door belonging to a man named Bhura, doing damage to the extent of 10s. Mr. L. Gannon appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Herbert for the defence. The evidence showed that the defendant came to the house and broke in the front door. She was ordered to pay a fine and costs of £2 1s, in default imprisonment for one month.

Cruelty to a Horse.—At the Glebe Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Smithers, S.M., Joseph Naylor, inspector for the borough of Petersham, was charged with having cruelly illtreated a horse by beating it with a whip. Mr. J. W. Abigail appeared for the prosecution. The evidence showed that the inspector was taking a horse to the pound from Leichhardt, leading it by a long rope. On the way, it was stated, he beat it with a whip until he drew the blood. The inspector denied the charge, and gave evidence that he only touched it now and then with the whip to make it walk faster, but was not in any way cruel to the animal. Mr. Smithers found the case proven, and ordered the defendant to pay a fine and costs amounting to the sum of £3 11s 6d, in default imprisonment for one month.

THE DRINK.—PAR EXCELLENCE.
Fry's Cocoa. Be sure you get Fry's.—Advt.

THE INDIAN FAMINE FUND.

A meeting was held at the Town Hall last evening to take into consideration matters in connection with the raising of a fund for the relief of the famine-stricken natives of India. His Excellency the Governor (Earl Beauchamp) presided, and those present included the Archbishop of Sydney, the Rev. W. I. Carr Smith, Mr. T. M. Slattery, Colonel Neild, M.L.A., Messrs. Gregg, Goodlet, Rickard, and the town clerk (Mr. Anderson).

Apologies for non-attendance were received from the Premier (Mr. Lyne), Mr. G. H. Reid, Mr. E. W. O'Sullivan (Minister for Works), Mr. J. S. T. M'Gowen, M.L.A., Mr. Justice Stephen, Mr. J. T. Walker, Colonel Burns, Sir George Dibbs, Colonel Roberts, Mr. J. T. Toohey, the Mayor of Petersham, and the Mayor of Sydney (Sir Matthew Harris), the last of whom was confined to his room by reason of indisposition.

His Excellency announced that over £300 had been received to date. This, he thought, was not an unsatisfactory beginning. He invited suggestions as to whether an appeal through the press should be made, and as to the advisability of holding another meeting.

Mr. Slattery suggested that the meeting should be regarded in the light of a preliminary one. He recommended that advertising in aid of the fund should be made by poster, the same method to be adopted in announcing another meeting to be held in the future. The mere placing of notices in the press he thought insufficient. The present meeting could not be regarded as any criterion of the state of public sentiment in regard to the matter of helping the distressed people of India.

Mr. Goodlet was of the opinion that another meeting was unnecessary. He advocated the starting of subscriptions at once.

The Archbishop of Sydney differed from Mr. Goodlet. He was of the opinion that the Mayor should be consulted in regard to the holding of a conference or a public meeting. The sense of Imperial brotherhood, if he might employ the expression, ought to be more in evidence.

Colonel Neild, M.L.A., expressed his entire sympathy with the views of the Archbishop and of his Excellency. He was in favour of the poster idea, and thought that some form of public gathering was necessary.

The Rev. W. I. Carr Smith offered a suggestion that religious bodies should take up the matter, by the adoption of which course much good might be done.

Mr. T. W. Thrower, speaking as president of the Sydney Labour Council and the representative of the labouring people, advocated meetings in the suburbs, as well as a gathering in the Town Hall.

In adjourning the meeting his Excellency expressed his intention of inviting the Mayors of the various municipalities to co-operate in the cause. The small attendance was, he felt sure, no indication of what the charity of the people of Sydney was capable under the circumstances of dire distress which had befallen the native population of India.

His Excellency announced his intention to give a donation of £50 to the fund.

It was announced that Mr. Arthur Rickard had collected from merchants 40 tons of flour, and was engaged in the collection of another 60 tons, which would be sent to India. Mr. William White had also given 25 tons.

SALES OF WORK.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, GLENMORE-ROAD.

Yesterday afternoon a three days' sale of work in aid of the funds of St. George's Church, Glenmore-road, Paddington, was opened in the lecture-hall by Miss Snowdon Smith, in the presence of a large attendance. The spacious hall was prettily decorated with bunting. Near the walls, and in the centre of the hall a number of stalls had been erected, each having an effective design, with drapings of art muslin of varied hues. The floral stall in the centre was most artistic. In addition to the stalls for the disposal of goods there were also a number of side shows, including an exhibition of curios in charge of Mr. Woollams (many of which were lent by Mr. Thomas Pratt, of the London Missionary Society). Mr. W. A. Medlicott gave a phonographic entertainment in the adjoining hall. Miss Snowdon Smith, who was accompanied by Miss Saumarez Smith, was welcomed to the hall by the Rev. Edward Owen, B.A. Miss Snowdon Smith briefly referred to the good work that had been accomplished by the ladies of the church and parish, and congratulated them upon the excellent results of their labours. In the evening the attendance was much larger, and good business was done by the various stallholders. The proceedings were enlivened at intervals by vocal and instrumental musical selections, which were carried out under the direction of Mr. C. E. Patterson. The sale will be continued until Saturday. The following are the stalls and the lady attendants:—

No. 1, Fancy Work.—Mrs. E. Owen, Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Noble, and Miss Moon.

No. 2, Dorcas.—Mrs. Crick, sen., Mrs. Sharkey, Mrs. Pope, and Miss Parrett.

No. 3, Toys, &c.—Mrs. Edwards, Miss Peisley, and Miss King.

No. 4, Produce.—Mrs. Olding, Mrs. Gaston, Mrs. Melrose, and Miss Gaston.

No. 5, Refreshments.—Mrs. Curtis, Mrs. Nicholson, Miss Sharkey, Miss Minnie Cowell, and Miss Winnie Ohlson.

No. 6, Gents.'s.—Miss White, Miss Brown, and Miss Rowe.

No. 7, Sweets.—Miss Gaston, Miss Poole, and Miss Geiger.

No. 8, Pot Plants and Flowers.—The Misses Ohlson (2) and Miss Small.

The galvanic battery was in charge of Mrs. Woollams, and the village pump was conducted by Miss Healy, Miss Phillips, and Miss Ramsay. Shooting gallery, Mr. Percy Small.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND MISSION, ULTIMO.

Yesterday afternoon a sale of work, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to the church funds, was opened in the Church of England Mission Hall, Harris-street, Ultimo. The opening ceremony was performed by Lady Harris (Mayoress of Sydney) in the presence of a large gathering. In the absence of the minister (Mr. W. B. Bowers), who was called away owing to the death of his mother that morning, Archdeacon Langley presided. Lady Harris declared the sale open, and in doing so wished the undertaking every success. On behalf of the ladies of the congregation Miss E. Matthews presented the Mayoress with a handsome bouquet, and at the instance of the chairman a vote of thanks was tendered Lady Harris and Miss Harris for their presence. Amongst those present were the Revs. J. D. Reynolds (St. Luke's Church, Sussex-street), H. T. Holliday (St. Bartholomew's Church, Pyrmont), Mrs. Landers, Mrs. Paull, Mrs. Plumley, Mr. and Mrs. Harris, Misses Lewis and Chapman.

The hall was prettily decorated, and the stalls, which were nicely arranged, were laden with all descriptions of useful and ornamental articles. All arrangements were carried out under the supervision of a large committee, of which Miss Bowie was secretary and Miss Armstrong treasurer. The names of the stalls were taken from Charles Dickens's works, the first stall to meet the eye of visitors being "The Old Curiosity Shop." The sale will be continued each afternoon and evening till Saturday.

The names of the stallholders are as follow:—

"The Old Curiosity Shop."—Miss Grant and Miss Ida Harris.

No. 1 Fancy Stall: "Dickens."—Mrs. Crocker and Mrs. Douglas.

No. 2 Fancy Stall: "Little Nell."—Mrs. Jones and Miss Jones.

Flower Stall: "Dolly Varden."—Miss Bone and Miss Swelling.

Refreshment Stall: "Ask for More."—Mrs. Bowies, Mrs. De Jersey, and Miss L. Armstrong.

Confectionery Stall: "Little Dorrit."—Mrs. Staples and Miss N. Douglas.

Plain Goods Stall: "Great Expectations."—Miss Bowie, Miss Ethel Armstrong, and Mrs. Harley.

Bran Tub.—Miss D. Jones, assisted by the pupils of the day school.

Shooting Gallery.—Mr. Wheeler.

Weighing Machine.—Mr. Stewart.

VESTRY MEETINGS.

St. John's, Ashfield.—Clergyman's warden, Mr. A. J. Brierley; people's wardens, Messrs. J. J. Brenan and E. H. T. Russell; parochial council, Messrs. W. Russell, jun., W. J. G. Mann, J. D. Sly, E. H. Rogers, A. B. Wilkinson, G. Z. Dupain, F. Harrison, W. Booth, G. E. Weatherill, E. C. V. Broughton, R. H. Ellis, and W. W. Bucknell; parochial nominators, Messrs. W. Russell, jun., E. H. Rogers, Dr. R. T. Jones, Messrs. A. J. Brierley and J. J. Brenan.

St. Mark's, Darling Point.—Churchwardens, Messrs. J. T. Lingen, F. Davenport, and A. Lassetter; sidesmen, Messrs. Jackson, G. M. Merivale, Morgan, Gilles, Hudson, Rendall, Dr. Taylor-Young, Messrs. Joyner, Lloyd, Little, Adams, Abbott, Gladen, and Williams; auditors, Messrs. G. M. Merivale and Geo. Wilcox.

St. James' Church, Morpeth.—Churchwardens, Messrs. M. D. Porins, T. Campbell, and A. H. Taylor; parochial council, Messrs. P. Sim, R. L. P. Harding, J. Harden, R. A. Waddy, R. Sim, P. Whitfield, R. Pilidge, and J. Newton.

Manilla.—Clergyman's warden, Mr. G. A. Vencas; people's warden, Messrs. A. B. Hayden and C. Vincent; councillors—clergyman's, Messrs. C. Baldwin, P. H. Baker, and H. J. Fenwicke; people's, Messrs. H. Rudd, D. M'Donald, G. H. Wheatley, J. Spencer (Woodsreef), T. Higgins (Ukolan), G. H. Robinson (Upper Manilla), C. Mell (Hawkin's Creek), A. F. Rogers (Attunga Springs), D. Orman (Boctive).

Holy Trinity, Dulwich Hill.—Messrs. W. A. Hudson and A. E. Hobson, people's wardens; Mr. T. E. Bray, clergyman's warden; parochial councillors, Messrs. J. W. Daunt, F. Gowing, A. Mayne, Heron, and J. B. Meldrum. Parochial Association: Members of parochial council, ex officio, Messrs. Cusiter, Kidner, Lingenfelder, Hunter, and Sinclair, Mesdames Colvin, Daunt, Gelding, Hunter, Booth-Jones, Kay, M'Donald, Millington, Sinclair, Stephenson, Wise, and Miss Webb; auditors, Messrs. Hunter and Thomas.

Coolah.—St. Andrew's: People's warden, Mr. E. Sheppard; trustees' warden, Mr. E. J. Lowe; clergyman's warden, Mr. Richard Cook; sidesmen, Messrs. N. Putney, F. Dean, and Schiemmer; parochial council, Messrs. John Griffiths, A. B. Campbell, H. Fulton, J. Swinson, F. Putney, A. J. Highfield.

For Children's Hacking Cough at night Woods' Great Peppermint Cure, 1s 6d.—Advt.

DON'T LOOK OLD.
With advancing years greyness increases. Stop this with Lockyer's Sulphur Hair Restorer, which darkens to the former colour and preserves the appearance. Lockyer's Restorer is made in England only.—Advt.

WAR PICTURES IN THIS WEEK'S "MAIL."
Boer Laager at Paarde Berg after the Surrender. View of the Modder and Trenches on its Banks where Cronje made his last stand. The Conning Tower, Ladysmith.—Advt.

CHURCH NEWS.

HOLY TRINITY, DULWICH HILL.

At the Easter meeting of Holy Trinity Church, Dulwich Hill, on Tuesday last, the Rev. E. A. Colvin was presented by his parishioners with an elegant walnut secretaire as a mark of the esteem and respect in which he is held by his people. Mr. W. A. Hudson, in making the presentation, referred to the work done by their rector since his coming amongst them. He trusted that Mr. Colvin would long be spared to continue his good work, and assured him of the confidence and genuine regard of all his congregation. Mr. Colvin suitably responded.

ST. PETER'S, COOK'S RIVER-ROAD.

On Monday evening a lecture was given by the Rev. Joshua Hargrave in the hall adjoining St. Peter's Church of England, Cook's River-road, St. Peters, on "The Land of the Pharaohs and Up the Nile with Kitchener to Khartoum." The lecture, which was in aid of enlarging the schoolroom, was well attended by the parishioners and others. The lecture was illustrated with limelight pictures of Cairo, the pyramids, and the massive ruins for which Egypt is famous. Mr. Hargrave also presented some views of Lord Kitchener's advance up the Nile, the battle of Omdurman, and his entrance in triumph into Khartoum. On the motion of the Rev. J. G. Fenton, a vote of thanks was passed to the lecturer.

POINT PIPER-ROAD, WOOLLAHRA.

On Tuesday evening, at the Point Piper-road Congregational Church, the eleventh anniversary of the pastorate of the Rev. Dr. Fordyce, and of the church, was celebrated. There was a large attendance. The church was prettily decorated with white flowers and foliage by the ladies of the congregation. The Rev. Dr. Fordyce presided. Mr. R. Jackson (hon. secretary) read a lengthy report of the doings of the church during the past year, which congratulated the pastor upon the honour conferred upon him by his Alma Mater. The report referred with regret to the absence of Sir James Fairfax (senior deacon) and Lady Fairfax and Miss Fairfax, who had left for a lengthened trip to Europe. In referring to the work of the various departments of church work, the report stated that each was progressing satisfactorily. The young men's and women's Bible classes had done much useful work. The Christian Endeavour Society had a membership of 35 (active) and six (associates), with an average attendance of 22. The Junior Christian Endeavour Society had a membership of 32 (active) and 13 on trial, with average attendance of 37. The church membership numbered 188. During the year 18 had been received. Mr. R. D. Moffitt presented the treasurer's report, which was considered satisfactory. During the evening suitable addresses were delivered by the chairman, the Rev. Dr. Fraser, and the Rev. Joseph Fulton. The church choir rendered the anthems "Make a joyful noise" and "Abide with Me." Messrs. W. J. Stewart, T. B. Jamieson, J. M'Intyre, and W. Herbert sang the quartet "The Chapel." Mr. W. J. Stewart presided at the organ. Mr. W. Herbert acted as musical director.

HOSPITAL SATURDAY.

PADDINGTON BRANCH.

On Wednesday afternoon at the Mayor's room, Paddington Town Hall, a meeting of the Paddington branch of the Hospital Saturday Fund was held, over which the Mayor (Alderman A. Pointing) presided. Amongst those present were—Alderman Arthur Walker, Dr. W. J. Barkas, Mrs. Barkas, Mrs. J. C. Neild, Mrs. J. W. Gillett, Miss A. Bowdler, Mrs. H. H. Robey, Miss U. V. Barnes, Mrs. Walker, Miss Walker, Miss Amy Pepper, Mrs. T. W. Nicoll, Miss Barkas, Miss Edith Martin, Mrs. John White, and the Misses Fenton (2). Mr. H. H. Robey, hon. secretary, reported respecting the number of lady attendants who had consented to assist on Hospital Saturday; also that the work was being enthusiastically taken up by residents. Final arrangements were made for the work to be carried out, and the positions to be taken up by the ladies were decided upon. The boxes and badges were also distributed.

THE ANTI-FEDERALISTS' FORLORN HOPE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—*During the recent federal campaign speakers* in support of the Commonwealth Bill were frequently met with the cry, "Oh, it's a lawyer's bill;" yet this is the same bill that lawyers associated with anti-federalists and a few others are now seeking to amend until one would suppose there were none other interested in it. It is perhaps time to point out how the alteration sought for will affect the people of Australia.

The bill as it now stands provides for a Federal Supreme Court, to be called the High Court of Australia. This Court is to have jurisdiction to determine appeals from all judgments, decrees, orders, and sentences arising out of all other courts within the Commonwealth. The trend of this part of the federal constitution is to not only to save time, but also money, in the final settlement of disputes, enabling people who, for want of sufficient means, might otherwise be debarred from seeking justice by appealing to the Privy Council. Will anyone with an unbiassed mind say that that is not a wise provision? Yet the amendment indicated by the home authorities, if carried, would destroy the right of appeal to our own High Court. The people of Australia might reasonably ask why the home Law Officers have not submitted a draft of their proposed amendment to the Australian federal delegates, showing the full text of what they desire. We should then be in a position to exactly judge of what is meant.

The 74th clause provides that in matters involving the interpretation of the Federal Constitution or the Constitution of a State, the decision of the High Court shall be final, but in any other matter of appeal to the High Court of Australia its decision may be appealed against by the Queen exercising her royal prerogative granting special leave to appeal therefrom. "But the Parliament may make laws limiting the matters in which such leave may be asked." These are the words that the home Law Office doubtlessly would eliminate, which would deprive the Federal Parliament from exercising any power of limiting appeals from the Federal High Court of Australia to the Privy Council. Take that right away from the Australian people and her Majesty in Council may grant an appeal from the High Court to the Privy Council in every case asked for, or to an extent that would render the Federal High Court practically useless, since litigants would at once see it to their advantage to appeal direct to the Privy Council in all cases rather than run the risk of a further appeal from the High Court of Australia to the Privy Council, which would only increase the cost of litigation in place of diminishing it, which the bill as it now stands is designed to do. Yet we now find a feeble effort being made, principally by anti-federalists, accompanied by members of the legal profession and a few commercial men, seeking to influence the home authorities, urging an amendment that if carried would destroy the High Court of Australia, which if once established would be an incentive to the higher cultivation of the Australian judicial mind, especially in the rising generation, whose aspirations would be of a higher judicial nature. Do away with the High Federal Court of Appeal, and you deprive Australians for all time from acquiring that high distinction which their talents in numerous instances have clearly shown they are entitled to. While saying this I see no objection to the Federal Parliament amending that portion of the 74th clause relating to the interpretation of the Constitution or of the Constitution of a State. I am inclined to think that in these matters, at least for many years to come, it would be as well to have them referred to a *tribunal removed* as far as possible from the influence of party feeling. While admitting this, I confess the example of the Judges in these colonies gives me very little excuse to make *this admission*. I have for a *lifetime observed* their strict impartiality and independent conduct generally. Seeing, then, that the Federal High Court would be superior to any of our Supreme Courts, there is little to fear on that score, and hence I see no reason why the British Parliament should tamper with the Commonwealth Bill as agreed to by the Australian people.

Mr. Chamberlain says that by retaining the right of appeal to the Privy Council we shall more firmly bind together the British Empire, a laudable object in itself, I admit, but it is the opinion of many that the more freedom we have the more loyal we become. It is not by links of iron but by the "crimson thread of kinship" that we have been and will be kept together. To doubt our sincerity is a first step towards loosening the bonds of friendship that so happily exist at the present time. I note with satisfaction the dignified stand the federalists are assuming. They are content to rest their cause with the result of the referendum and with the instructions given the delegates now in London by the Premiers of the colonies to the effect that there must be no alteration in the bill.

Nevertheless, the anti-federalists bob up again serenely. Assisted by a few lawyers and commercial men they have held several meetings, which have been miserably attended, their object being to show the home authorities that there is a powerful movement in support of an amendment in the 74th clause. I attended one of these meetings yesterday, held at the Australia Hotel. *I counted* 39 *persons present.* After the meeting was over a few more walked in—the whole proceedings lasting about 15 minutes. With the exception of five or six persons all were *prominent* opponents of the bill. Yet it is probable a cablegram will be sent to England stating the result of a well-attended meeting in support of an amendment in the Commonwealth Bill.

In conclusion, I do not deny the right of the British Parliament to amend the bill, but I do question the wisdom of their altering one word of the Federal Constitution as agreed to by the people of Australia. We have designed and constructed that measure after years of hard toil, and if there are any faults in it we are equally competent to amend them. It will be a gracious and a wise act on the part of the British Government to let us work out our own destiny. I am, &c.,

May 3. MARK J. HAMMOND.

Since old Oom Paul has gone to war
We'll make it hot for every Boer,
But soldiers find there's else than lead
To hurt a man, or kill him dead.
The hard, rough life, climatic ills
Are apt to bring on various chills,
To ward off which there's one thing sure,
A dose of Woods' Great Peppermint Cure.—Advt.

BARCLAY and SON'S Eucalypte Extract, 1st Prize, Sydney, 1895, '96, '97, '98, to 1900.—Advt.

MUNICIPAL COUNCILS.

ANNANDALE.

This council met on Monday, April 23. There were present: The Mayor (Alderman A. Taylor), in the chair, also Aldermen Bull, Woods, Ridge, Ferris, Broad, Wells, and Horton. Several applications for asphalting and kerbing and guttering were referred to the works committee. A ratepayer in Trafalgar-street wrote in reference to the cutting down of that street, stating that the water pipe had been left exposed and as a consequence had been broken, and asking that the council should pay the cost of the repairs. The letter was referred to the works committee. A lengthy letter from Dr. Ludlow, having reference to the ventilating pipes from the sewers, was laid on the table for the aldermen's perusal. Alderman Bull referred to the matter as a very important one, and said he considered these pipes were the means of spreading disease in many a district. Alderman Horton thought disease was less prevalent since the new system had been introduced. The works committee presented a report of works referred to them, which was adopted. A minute by the Mayor stated that land belonging to the council, which had been sold, had enabled the council to discharge the amount owing on the Booth-street improvements. The minute was adopted. The inspector reported that 380 houses still remained to be connected with the sewerage up to date. In connection with garbage destruction, the Mayor reported that everything was satisfactory, and he hoped to have a report for next meeting. The council then went into committee with closed doors to consider the finance committee's report.

ASHFIELD.

This council met on Tuesday, May 1. There were present—Aldermen J. Mills (Mayor), Robson, Upward, Broughton, Miller, Brown, Pike, Nixon, Lloyd, and the council clerk, Mr. T. Glasson. A mayoral minute, dealing with the legal proceedings recently taken by the Bankstown council against Ashfield council, for depositing garbage on certain land at Bankstown, in which the Ashfield council was mulcted in £60 for breaches of the bylaws, was considered, and after much discussion referred to the finance committee. It was decided that the overseer exercise special supervision over the sanitary depot. Alderman Robson asked for attention to matters connected with Prospect-road, Wellesley-street, and Junction-road. Alderman Upward referred to houses not connected with the sewers, to St. David's-road alterations, to the length of time that the garbage destructor had been in construction, and protested against the decision of the Fire Brigades Board regarding the Ashfield Fire Station. He thought that affairs dealt with in committee should be kept private. Alderman Lloyd asked for attention to matters in James-street, Canterbury-road, and Smith, Louisa, Henson, and Bartlett streets. Alderman Brown referred to works necessary in Harland and Thomas streets and Liverpool-road. Alderman Nixon directed attention to matters in North Ward, Bland, Vine, Chandos, Cecil, Lucy, and Edwin streets. He complained that frequently dust boxes were not emptied for a month. It was decided not to co-operate with Annandale council in asking the Government to erect garbage destructors in various places. The Railway Commissioners notified that the Ashfield and Summer Hill railway stations would be connected with the sewer. They also wrote regretting that alterations in the train time-tables desired by the council could not with justice be carried into effect. Improvements proposed at the Ashfield Public School were detailed in a letter to the council per Mr. Wise M.L.A. A report upon several insanitary houses in the borough was received from the Health Department, and immediate action to restore them to a habitable condition was authorised.

BALMAIN.

This council met on Tuesday night, May 1. The Mayor (Alderman Henry Mills) presided, there being also present, Aldermen Milne, Murdoch, Tavier, Cox, Williams, Crump, Cohen, Campbell, Swan, Wheeler, and Bowen. Amongst the correspondence was a communication from Mr. W. H. Wilks, M.L.A., stating that he had attended to the matter of a dredge for the cleaning of the entrance to Mort's Dock. A letter was received from the Public Works Department stating that in prosecuting the survey of the land proposed to be resumed as a site for the pumping station, abutting on Mort-street, Balmain, it had been discovered that there is a considerable discrepancy between the position of the street as actually laid out and the records of the Lands Titles office. A letter was received from Mr. R. J. Jervaulx, complaining of the profuse growth of the Bathurst burr at Glebe Island and White Bay. It was decided that the council had no jurisdiction over the land in question. The works committee reported having certified to accounts for works to the amount of £509 11s 2d. The finance committee recommended for payment accounts amounting to the sum of £951 10s 6d. The inspector reported that during the past fortnight six cases of infectious diseases—three of typhoid and three of plague—were reported. Several necessary works were referred to different committees for report. It was decided, on the motion of Alderman H. B. Swan, to extend the present kerb and gutter on the eastern side of Rumsey-street the full length at a cost of £6.

BURWOOD.

This council met on Monday, April 30. There were present:—The Mayor (Alderman A. G. Ralston), Aldermen Crane, Cardew, Hawkins, Hart, Sheppard, Archer, and the council clerk (Mr. G. Simpson). A letter was received from the Treasury stating that the Premier was unable to give a definite decision upon the application for a special grant to unendowed municipalities until the expenditure for the year had been ascertained. The Water and Sewerage Department notified that none of the sewers in Burwood had yet been advertised, but that in the course of a few days contract 305 would be advertised, after which no doubt property owners would have their premises connected, otherwise second notices would be served. The assessor to the Water and Sewerage Board wrote with reference to the ownership of vacant land, informing the council that the Board's records at the Lands Titles Office and elsewhere were available to the council at any time. The officers of the council, Messrs. K. B. Keeway, inspector, and G. B. Southwick, overseer and temporary inspector, made reports upon places inspected in the borough. They had found several unoccupied houses in a very insanitary condition, and also several insanitary which were tenanted. Notice had been served upon the owners to carry out certain improvements of such a drastic character that it would be found practically better for them to pull down and rebuild the houses. The Mayor announced that the provisions of the Health Act were being administered without prejudice or partiality. Notices to 88 persons to make substantial alterations had been issued. The Mayor announced that the conference of the councils of Enfield, Strathfield, Concord, and Burwood as to the best method of disposal of garbage would be held on Thursday night. Accounts amounting to £122 19s 1d were passed for payment. The bank balances were reported in credit as follows:—General, £68 14s 5d; gas, £111 9s 3d; sanitary, £66 5s 1d.

CABRAMATTA AND CANLEY VALE.

At the last meeting of the above council the Mayor (Alderman Cooke) presiding. The Cabramatta Progress Association wrote enclosing letter from the Railway Commissioners relative to the state of the Cabramatta crossing, in which it was stated that the council was responsible for the existing state of affairs. The clerk was instructed to reply stating that the blame rested with the Railway Commissioners. The finance committee recommended that a loan of £30 be obtained from the Commercial Bank, Liverpool, to meet current liabilities amounting to about £20. The report was adopted after discussion. The works committee's report relative to the expenditure of the grant for the Muigon-road was adopted, as also was the dayman's usual fortnightly report, in which council's attention was drawn to the necessity for re-decking and repairing several bridges in order to prevent accidents.

CANTERBURY.

This council met on April 23. There were present Aldermen Denniss (Mayor), Forsyth, Quigg, Stone, Andrew, M'Bean, and Scahill. A letter from the Annandale council asking the council to co-operate in getting the Government to erect garbage destructors was received. A supply of rat poison was announced to have been forwarded by the Health Department. It was resolved that a capitation reward of 2d per head for rats be given. It was decided to support the Drummoyne council in a deputation to the Government asking for a resumption of certain of the foreshores and wharfs of Sydney Harbour. Requests for permission to bury nightsoil on applicants' own land were received, and after discussion and division refused. Accounts amounting to £137 19s 6d were passed. It was decided, on the motion of the Mayor, that the following recommendations be forwarded to the committee of the Municipal Association for insertion in the amended Municipalities Act:—"That power be given to councils to sell land upon which rates have remained unpaid for five years. 2. That it be made compulsory for councils to sue for yearly rate before expiration of municipal year (when owners are known). 3. That power be given to strike a special rate for kerbing and guttering. 4. That all vendors of land be prohibited from cutting up and selling land in allotments without the council first approving of the subdivision. 5. That the Government contribute towards the cost of administration of Public Health and Dairies Supervision Act." A general rate of 1s in the £ and a lighting rate of 4d in the £ were struck.

DRUMMOYNE.

The last meeting of this council was held on Tuesday night, April 24. The Mayor (Alderman Thomas Henley) presided. There were also present—Aldermen Palmer, Sutton, Bell, Byrne, Loveridge, Richards, and Modera. Amongst the correspondence was a communication from P. C. Costello, of South-street, drawing attention to the dangerous condition of Sisters Crescent-road. The Municipal Association of New South Wales wrote stating that the Premier had recently promised a deputation to accept suggestions through the association for an amended Municipalities Act, which he recognised the necessity of passing in the next session of Parliament, and asking the council to forward any suggestions for improving the existing law. Suggestions from the council are to be considered at a special meeting to be held for the purpose. A communication was read from the assessor of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage acknowledging the council's courtesy in furnishing information in the matter of a number of cases regarding the ownership of vacant lands. Complaints of the bad condition of various portions of the borough were received. The Mayor, as chairman of the finance committee, brought up a report recommending for payment accounts amounting to the sum of £41 1s 7d. The treasurer (Alderman Loveridge) reported that there was a debit balance at the bank amounting to the sum of £224 16s 10d. Both reports, with the overseers' and inspectors' reports, were adopted. Alderman Byrne drew the Mayor's attention to the number of stray horses and cattle in the borough. The Mayor stated that the inspector had received instructions to prosecute owners of straying animals. On the motion of Alderman Sutton, several works were referred to the overseer for estimate of cost.

ENFIELD.

This council met on Tuesday, April 24. There were present—The Mayor (Alderman T. Hodson), Aldermen Walker, Lipscomb, Pilcher, Hitchell, Mackay, Weil, and the council clerk (Mr. A. Campbell). A further quantity of creosoline from the Government stores was reported to have been received. The Railway Commissioners wrote stating their willingness to receive a deputation regarding a proposed reduction in railway and tramway fares on Friday. With reference to the employment of a man for the capture of rats, the matter was left in the Mayor's hands. A discussion occurred upon the proposed Municipalities Act, especially with regard to the unimproved value of land and its assessment. It was decided that the Mayor interview the Minister for Public Instruction to ask that the footpath in front of the Public school at Croydon Park be kerbed and guttered at the expense of the department. The Under-Secretary of the department notified that the work was imperatively required, as the channel in front of the school premises was badly kept, and was a menace to the health of the children. The assessor of the Water and Sewerage Board reminded the council that if any of the records which the board have compiled at the Lands Titles Office, and otherwise obtained, concerning lands in the municipality, would be of any assistance, they were always available to the council. With reference to the proposed resumption of the foreshores of Darling Harbour, it was pointed out by Alderman Walker that a very large number of members of Parliament had asked the Premier to do this, and that it was likely that this course would be adopted. A voucher for £300 for work on Punchbowl-road was received from the Works Department. A letter was received from the Treasury announcing that the sum of £104 14s 9d was payable to the council for endowment. Accounts amounting to £214 15s 1d were passed for payment. The debit balance was reported at £31 8s 6d.

LEICHHARDT.

This council met on Monday night, April 30. The Mayor (Alderman J. P. Treadgold) presided. There were also present; Aldermen O'Toole, Dyer, Fletcher, Westbrook, Mound, Wragge, and Hearn. Amongst the correspondence was a communication from the Public Works Department, stating, in reply to a letter from the council, that an officer had visited the sewer running from Herbert-street through the reclaimed land into the canal at Long Cove, and it was found that the recent heavy rains had thoroughly cleansed it; also that the foreman at Johnstone's Creek had been instructed to give his attention to the locality, and send out a man to do what was necessary in order to keep the sewer in a sanitary condition. The Railway Commissioners wrote, stating that the tramway premises at Norton and Marion streets had received the attention of the Commissioners, who had approved of the premises being connected with the sewer. A communication from the Annandale Council with reference to a deputation to the Premier to ask for the erection of garbage destructors in the various municipalities was received. A number of complaints were received from ratepayers regarding alleged nuisances in different parts of the borough. The Mayor reported that the council's overdraft, in accordance with a minute presented by him at the beginning of the year, had been reduced by over £400 up to the present. A report was presented by the Town Hall committee making several recommendations with reference to the drainage of the premises, and the appointment of the caretaker as a special constable for the suppression of larrikinism at public gatherings in the hall.

MANLY.

The Manly Council met on Tuesday, April 24, when there were present the Mayor (Alderman W. H. Fletcher), in the chair, with Aldermen Owen Carroll, J. F. Walker, A. Russell, J. J. Dargan, J. B. Meyer, E. W. Quick, and H. R. Stevenson. The Under-Secretary for Finance and Trade, touching the complaint about garbage from lighters re-entering the harbour, wrote that towing the stuff to sea was not in his opinion an effective method of disposing of it, and the Mayor intimated that the practice had been abandoned. The Public Service Tender Board advised the despatch of a quantity of rat poison to be used under the council's supervision, and Mr. Blackwell, of the Town Hall, Sydney, forwarded some useful hints for the guidance of persons engaged in trapping rats. The auditors announced the completion of the half-yearly audit. They complained that no list of persons in arrears of rates (amounting in all to £4239) had been furnished, although asked for repeatedly and they claimed that such a list was essential to a complete statement of account. The Mayor read a copy of a letter addressed by him to the Department of Public Works, in which he urged the pressing necessity for latrines and conveniences for visitors to Manly. He suggested two buildings for this purpose. One at the corner of the reserve near the main wharf, and one at the south-eastern end of the ocean beach reserve. Alderman Meyer moved, and it was carried—"That this council draw the attention of the Minister for Public Instruction to the urgent necessity for connecting the Public school with the sewerage without delay."

MOSMAN.

A meeting of the Mosman Council was held on Tuesday, the 24th instant. There were present: The Mayor (Alderman G. W. Hampshire), Aldermen Alderson, Horning, Glover, Dwyer, Smith, and Ross. A communication was received from the Municipal Association intimating that as the Premier had promised to receive a deputation on the subject of amending the Municipalities Act, a sub-committee had been formed to prepare amendments. The association solicited suggestions. The Mayor and Aldermen Alderson and Shaw were appointed to draw up a list of suggestions. The Borough of Vaucluse wrote asking the council to attend a deputation to the Premier, protesting against taking the city garbage to sea. The letter was received, and it was decided to co-operate. The Mayor announced that as a result of a motion passed by the council he had met and conferred with the Mayor of Manly on the question of the removal of the quarantine ground from its present position, but in view of the fact that the Government had at the present time so much to attend to it was decided to let the matter rest for the present. The corporate seal of the borough was affixed to the agreement with P. Quigley for tarpaving for the current municipal year. It was resolved on the motion of Alderman Horning,—"That the council clerk be instructed to prepare a list of all the stationery, printing, account, and rate books and the like required by this council for the year ending February, 1901, and that tenders be called for same." The recommendation of the works committee,—"That the inspectors' report on house to house inspection be adopted and the recommendations be carried out, and those persons who do not avail themselves of the E.C. contractor's services be informed they must comply with the provisions of the Nuisances Prevention Act," was adopted.

RANDWICK.

The last fortnightly meeting was held on April 24. The Mayor (Alderman Theo. Powell) presided, and the following were also present:—Aldermen S. R. Kennedy, G. Gale, T. Flood, J. J. Carter, J. Hincks, H. Willis, F. Hanson, J. Bundock, and W. Hayward. The overseer of works reported that a trial of watering the streets by a 60ft. hose had been carried out in the presence of the works committee, and he was of the opinion that unless the hydrants were much closer, so that shorter hose could be used, it would be impossible for one man to carry out the work. The inspector of nuisances reported that one case of typhoid fever had occurred during the fortnight. The bank balances were stated to be:—Borough account, debit £980 1s 6d; Randwick road account, debit £215 19s 5d; the military road account, debit £96 [illegible] 4d; and Long Bay Cemetery account, credit £10 7s 5d. The amount of rates collected during the fortnight was £16 4s 6d, and since February 5, £852 [illegible] 9d; whilst for the fortnight £22 4s 9d had been spent on works, and since February 5 £214 8s 1d. Correspondence was received from the Engineer for Tramways calling attention to a number of dead trees dangerous to the public and in close proximity to the tramline in Belmore-road. The matter to be attended to. The secretary of the Municipal Association wrote asking for suggestions for improving the Municipalities Act. Request to be complied with. The Annandale Council sought co-operation in a proposed deputation to the Premier with reference to the establishment of central garbage destructors for municipalities. Alderman Willis stated that this was a matter which would be dealt with by the Greater Sydney Committee. Received. Captain Wilfrid Smith, private secretary to the Governor, wrote thanking the aldermen for the sympathy extended to his Excellency, which he had greatly appreciated.

STRATHFIELD.

The council met last Tuesday evening. There were present:—The Mayor (Alderman T. F. H. Mackenzie), Aldermen Parsons, Henty, Reid, Dickson, Kemp, Gordon, and the council clerk (Mr. J. H. Balmain). Accounts amounting to £589 14s 1d were passed for payment. A credit balance of £149 was reported. Rates received since last meeting totalled £610, and the amount still due was £[illegible]. The Annandale Council wrote asking co-operation in the matter of erecting garbage destructors under Government control. It was decided to write saying that the council saw the necessity for having destructors erected, but could not endorse the scheme in its entire details. A letter was received from the staff officer for the Engineers, Victoria Barracks, in reply to the council's application, stating that there was no objection to quarrying for metal on Flemington Rifle Range on the following conditions:—First, as small a quarry as possible to be opened and the soil to be filled in immediately after the metal is exhausted. Second, no quarrying allowed within 30 yards of the stop butts. Third, rifle practice not to be interfered with, and the Government and the military authorities to be exonerated from all blame for any accident which may occur from such rifle practice whilst the quarrying is going on. The council expressed its thanks for the concession. Dr. Armstrong forwarded a report upon eight houses in a certain street. These tenements were reported to be unfit for habitation. It was decided that this and kindred matters be referred to a subcommittee consisting of the Mayor, Aldermen Parsons, Kemp, and Dickson to take whatever steps were necessary to remedy the condition of affairs.

WOOLLAHRA.

A special meeting of the Woollahra Council was held on Tuesday, April 24, at which the Mayor (Alderman W. F. Latimer) presided. There were also present:—Aldermen W. J. Trickett, W. Bell, R. Teece, E. W. Knox, G. Dyson, G. Norton-Russell, T. Fairweather, B. W. Mansell, and the clerk (Mr. C. A. Vivian). An apology was received from Alderman White. The Edgecliff Ward committee presented a report as follows:—(1) With respect to the claim of Mr. Harkness for compensation to the extent of £10, they had conferred with Mr. Harkness, who had agreed to withdraw his claim. The committee recommended that the overseer be empowered to increase the number of men on the work to six. (2) Re Mr. Fletcher's complaint as to the occupation of that part of Australia-street east of Adelaide-street by Messrs. Phippard Brothers. The committee recommended that they be required to keep a space, not less than 15ft. wide clear of all obstruction, and keep in good order, from Adelaide-street to Mr. Fletcher's cottages, and that a lamp be erected thereon. The committee further recommended the granting of several applications for kerbing and guttering. The report was adopted. Correspondence was received from the Annandale Council desiring the council to co-operate with reference to forming a deputation to the Premier upon the subject of the Government erecting garbage destructors in central positions, and to request the Government to bear the cost and charge interest to the various councils. Received. The secretary of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage wrote with reference to the scheme of drainage in the Woollahra Point Estate, also inviting the council to pay a visit to the sewerage works at Botany. It was arranged to accept the invitation of the president and visit Botany on Saturday afternoon, May 5. The Vaucluse council clerk wrote requesting the co-operation of the council in taking steps to prevent the disposal of garbage in the sea. Alderman Russell said he did not think if the garbage was taken out a distance of three miles it would be washed back on to the foreshores. It was decided to accede to the request. Alderman Bell moved,—"That the Water and Sewerage Board be again urged to reduce the sewerage rate in connection with the Double Bay sewerage, and that it be pointed out that the council waited on the Minister for Works with a view of getting a portion of the cost of construction written off in order to assist the board in reducing the rate, but owing to the reply received by the Minister from the board in answer to his inquiries he is unable to comply with the request." Carried.

There has been an unprecedented run in England upon the stocks of *tin warriors* in English toy-shops, and in many cases the supply has given out. Reinforcements are announced from Germany.

Some idea of the magnitude of orders issued by the War Office for shrapnel and other shells may be gathered from the fact that one firm alone turns out over 13,000 shells per week.

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Mr. William Gilliver, of the well-known firm of Gilliver and Curtis, Railway and General Contractors, and whose private address is "Avoca," Bankstown, has written the following unsolicited letter, which we herewith publish in full:—

Messrs. Foster-M'Clellan Co.,
76 Pitt-street, Sydney.
February 14th, 1899.

Dear Sirs,—In justice to you and suffering humanity, I write to say that I suffered from itching piles for 22 years. I tried many doctors, and pretty well all kinds of patent medicines, but got relief for a short time only. Seeing your Ointment advertised, I bought a pot—and did not use more than one-half of it, now six months ago—and I am perfectly cured. You may use this as you wish.—Yours gratefully,

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But, be sure it is DOAN'S.—Advt.

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AT LADYSMITH.

BY
OUR SPECIAL WAR CORRESPONDENT,
D. A. MACDONALD.

AWAITING RELIEF.

CRISIS IN THE TOWN.

SEVERE PLIGHT OF THE GARRISON.

HORSEFLESH RATIONS.

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XVII.

LADYSMITH, Feb. 5.

Rumour continued for many days to flatter us the one hour and depress us the next. The hard fact presented was that save for an occasional shot, shelling in the distance had practically ceased, though the Boers, judging from the movements of their waggons, still held the right of way, and practically the mountain. Even the elements combined against speedy succour, for a heavy wind sprang up—in this land, where winds are extremely rare—and it was all against the use of lyddite, the fumes of which were blown away before they had time to do any mischief. Heavy rains, too, were a block to all movements, and made the lot of our poor fellows on the rifle ridges less enviable than ever. Never has the South African expression "Gone in" applied more aptly to a large body of men than to the Ladysmith garrison in these last trying days of January. Horses are being slaughtered daily, with the object of saving as much forage as possible for the gun horses, which, in case of emergency, may be our first need, either in forcing a way out or preventing the enemy coming in. Yesterday 300 were shot, the best of them being made into Bovril—or rather "Chevril"—for the use of hospital patients, while mule meat is being served out as an ordinary ration. All through the siege the mules, who can pick a scanty living from the few tough tufts of herbage remaining on the hills, have kept in much better condition than the horses. Graves for dead horses and dead men are ever yawning wide. There were 17 waiting as I passed the cemetery yesterday, and in this deadly environment it is little wonder that the ominous words, "Who next?" knock dolefully at the soul. Every pound of provisions in the town has been taken over by the military authorities, who made a house-to-house search, so that every one might share equally in the poor food available. The strain cannot continue much longer—the breaking stage is almost reached. It is only a question of a few days, then—surrender? No, that word is never mentioned. Those who have still the strength left for the dash may try to cut their way out, leaving the sick, wounded, and starving to the mercy of the enemy—though that would be a sad ending to the dangers and the hardships that the garrison of Ladysmith has so heroically borne. Bread of all kinds has disappeared, and we are living mainly on army biscuits, broken up in tea or coffee, when tea and coffee can be got. The biscuit is of brown meal, nourishing, no doubt, but hard as a brick and to tackle it is to face the problem of assimilating inorganic matter. One thing that has impressed me strongly all through the siege is that even with shell so largely used against us, amputations have been singularly rare in the hospitals, and the great majority of those have been undertaken by the regular army surgeons, amongst whom are operators wonderfully skilled. The ordinary surgeons who have come in with the volunteers resort to amputation only as a last resource, and with the help of the Rontgen rays their success in saving limbs, which at first sight seemed hopelessly shattered, is a triumph for the profession.

COMPELLED TO EAT HORSES.

By the first day of February we were in the full stress of the siege. Men were being given the choice of a full pound of horseflesh to their three biscuits a day, or half a pound of tinned beef, and gradually the majority in favour of the lighter diet became a minority, as we gave away our prejudices and were driven by hunger to the heavier ration. Indeed, we had been eating horse and mule flesh a week or so before we knew it—deftly disguised as ragout of beef. It sounded much better than ragout of ammunition donkey. As the materials for the ragout were exhausted, it came to us in no false guise, but just as plain horse. The cavalry, of which at the outset of the siege we had several crack regiments, are gradually disappearing, the men, armed with rifle and bayonet, instead of lance, sword, and carbine, being drafted into the infantry regiments to man the trenches, while those of the horses that are not reduced utterly to bone and sinew are passed on to the commissariat. Others, too poor for killing yet too valuable to kill, are turned out tethered in pairs and left to forage for themselves, so that stray horses are all over the town and tangled up with tent ropes. The idea in coupling them was, no doubt, to prevent them straying far, but it was as unnecessary as cruel. All these big walers, even if they fall into the hands of the Boers, can be identified and claimed again for, apart from the Government brand, there is nothing like them in the Dutch States. As it is, they twist their couplings in trees and stones, and are found literally starving to death, while it is by no means rare to find a live horse coupled to one either dead or crippled by shell fire.

PREPARING TO RESIST.

The same depression that followed upon General Buller's first failure to carry the Boer position across the Tugela lowers like a black cloud over the town, and, judging by the preparations, there is every expectation of another Boer assault on Ladysmith. Under cover of darkness new redoubts are being built, and the front lined with wire entanglements—preparations which two months ago would have been laughed at as absurd precautions on the part of an over-anxious commander. For had we not then quite satisfied ourselves that, whatever the enemy might attempt, he would never nerve himself to an actual attack on the town. It was one of many delusions that have been lovingly nursed this last 10 years only to be cast away at last. The climax in stagnation is reached when men have no other aspiration but to lie down all day—no other desire than to be left to their own moody reflections. It is the dangerous stage—upon which fever and death quickly follow, for fever now means in most cases death. No one has the vitality to fight the disease. Those who are wise crawl, while they have still strength left, to the outer ridges for a breath of air not yet tainted by contact with the town. The possibility of having to stay here for quite another month is rumoured, and every possible preparation is being made to try and meet this rather hopeless emergency. Twenty horses a day are being killed and made into soup for the soldiers, while the bones are stewed down into a jelly, and clarified with isinglass for use in the hospitals. Necessity is the mother of invention, and, as pots large enough for the occasion were not obtainable, they have adopted instead the iron earth trucks used in railway building. The fires are lighted between the railway metals, and when the contents of each truck have been thoroughly boiled it is shunted off to make way for another.

"LINING UP" FOR RATIONS.

The strictest supervision is exercised in the serving out of the daily rations. Every applicant presents himself at a barrier, and, having produced his order, passes on through a gangway, guarded on either side by barbed wire, to the four depots, where each in turn receives his little packet of meat, biscuit, sugar, and tea, the supplies of sugar and tea being barely sufficient for more than one meal. Here there is a daily jumble of the three races, European, Kaffir, and Indian, hustling and clamouring for supplies. Few of us ever expected to be reduced to such shifts for the bare necessaries of life, and the barbed-wire entanglements would seem to indicate that the military authorities look forward as a possibility to the day when they may have to guard against the rush of a starving people inside the town as well as the rush of an enemy from the outside. There is no longer even the cheering sound of a gun in the distance, while the enemy are becoming brisk again with their bombardment, and are busy building further redoubts and rifle breastworks on all sides, as though determined to keep their grip of Ladysmith to the last.

OLD-FASHIONED BOMBS.

One sign that cheered us somewhat, as indicating a limit to the artillery resources of the enemy, was the appearance in town this week of a number of the old-fashioned spherical bombs—such as might have been fired from those old Russian cannon, stamped with the double-headed eagles, which flank the entrance to the Victoria Barracks, Melbourne. Most of the Boer guns are of the newest and best, for they had the world for their ordnance market, and bought the best that every nation could supply. Those of the better type have presumably been sent to the Tugela to take the place of others disabled by British shell fire, and anything serves to make a noise, and keep the Ladysmith garrison quiet with a show of power. There are rumours of another attack on the town, such rumours as the enemy themselves send in, probably with the hope that they may be accepted, and the garrison remain strictly on the defensive. The industry with which the enemy run their searchlights every night to illuminate the approaches to their gun positions, and the persistent fire of star shells for the same purpose, indicate rather apprehension of being attacked than premeditated assault from their side. Should the interlude continue the enemy may, as after General Buller's repulse at Colenso, detach a part of their frontage force for another attack on the town, but, otherwise, I fancy the ring of investment is held by a skeleton force only—a force ever on the alert, however, to make its presence manifest.

SOME SIEGE INCIDENTS.

Yesterday our Kaffir boy, who had been out grass-cutting, came back agitated. "Zip! Zip! Zip!" he said, imitating the whiz of the bullet, and pointing to a hole in his old felt hat, where a Mauser had gone through. Alick Macpherson, one of our camp, and a clever South African bushman, had been tantalised for days by some wild duck placidly floating on a clay pan midway between the Boer and British lines. He crept out one day, bagged three of them, and got away safely. Next day there was a still larger flock on the clay pan, and our sportsman again determined to take the risk. He had no sooner fired, and so betrayed his position in the long grass, than a perfect storm of Mauser bullets fell round him, and he had to leave his birds, and run the gauntlet for home. With his usual quick observation, the Boer had noticed Alick's daring raid on the first day, and put a picket in a clump of wild peach trees to wait for him. The duck were excellent, such a change to the strong, musky horse flesh—but the birds will be undisturbed now while the siege lasts. It is almost worth the risk, though, to venture a little away from the hundred and one smells of the town out to the open veldt, where the fragrant mimosa is just blossoming. In the coolness of the dusk a soft breath of wind often brings the scent of it even into the town—and it is divine. There are late lilies, too, whose flaming red chalices shine like spots of fire on the hill sides, and form floral homes for swarms of golden-green beetles.

EFFECT OF LYDDITE.

One finds rather extravagant notions prevailing here as to the effect of lyddite shellfire. I talked lately with an old English farmer from the Transvaal, whose disappointment with the effect of a week's bombardment was grotesque. "I 'eard as they could level mountains," he said. "Well, look at that there one—not a crack in 'un—why, after they'd bin shellin' a week I expected we'd 'ave nothin' in the district but arable land." One man has been arrested and sent to gaol, "for expressing in public opinions likely to create despondency." The crime is by no means confined to civilians, though. An officer in some repute in the Artillery declared a few days since that everything he had been taught to consider an axiom in connection with artillery work had been upset by his South African experiences. No wonder that the country is the grave of great reputations. The devotion to Use and Wont dies hard in the army. I saw a man who, in a country teeming with stinging insects, cropped his horse's tail short, and was then obliged to carry another horse's tail every time he rode out, so that he might switch away the flies, and prevent his poor, thin-skinned steed from being perpetually tortured.

PREPARATIONS AGAINST A NIGHT ATTACK.

One of the most anxious days spent in Ladysmith was Sunday, February 4. Days before we knew that another great meeting of the Boers had taken place, such as that which preceded the determined attack on Waggon Hill, but were ignorant as to what it might portend. Every morning the ring of investment was tested on every side, and unpleasant work it was for the guides and scouts who undertook the duty. Nothing was left to doubt or conjecture. At every point it was necessary to prove the presence of the enemy by drawing their fire, and very ingenious were the devices brought into practice. A favourite plan was to ride up to within from 500 to 700 yards of a hill supposed to shelter the enemy's riflemen. Then the mounted men halted for a few seconds, and turned as if to ride home. That trick invariably drew the fire, if it were there to be drawn. The Boers, seeing their anticipated victims, whom they hoped to entice within short range, about to retire, as they thought, opened with every available rifle, and from the crackle our men, while galloping back to cover, were able to judge the enemy's strength at that particular point. On Sunday we knew that the Boers contemplated another night attack on Ladysmith, and had made very elaborate preparations to ensure its success. The warning came, strangely enough, from three points. General Buller heliographed us to be on the alert on Sunday; the War Office cabled a similar warning all the way from London; and our own intelligence corroborated each. Every preparation was made to give the enemy the deadliest reception he had yet had from Ladysmith, and at dusk on Sunday evening every available man was in the rifle pits or strengthening the outer pickets. They had hoped to surprise us by a trick characteristic of the Boer. Having gained possession of a great number of British uniforms, and practised British calls on British bugles, it was believed to be their intention to march boldly forward, representing themselves as portion of the relief column, and then with a sudden dash carry the trenches by surprise. The men were especially warned by a general order to be extremely cautious as to regarding bugle calls either to "Retire" or "Cease Firing," as it was thought the enemy might by sounding them in the heat of the fight cause the defenders to retire. Further, our men were warned to ignore the white flag altogether, unless the enemy threw down their rifles and held both arms in the air. All our rifle positions were ingeniously strengthened, false redoubts being built some little distance out to confuse the attack if made in the dark. Between these sham sangars and the rifle pits were barbed-wire entanglements, so curved that they presented apparent openings to an attack; but the enemy, rushing through these, would find themselves in the very worst of the maze. If Ladysmith were taken that night there would be a bitter toll for it. All night we waited, the man no longer despondent, but all keen and expectant. No attack came. News of our elaborate preparations had possibly reached them, as the intelligence of their movements reached us, and the responsibility was too great to face. Or it may have been that the bright, starlit night was unfavourable.

DISTANT CANNONADING AGAIN.

There were thousands of the enemy all round us, for in the early morning they were seen hurrying away south, where a tremendous thunder of guns, beginning with the first dawn of the day told of another decisive movement. All day that muffled roar of artillery went on, awe-inspiring, unceasing—one salvo blending with another for hours at a stretch, until one would have thought that no ordinary flesh and blood could stand such a cannonade. This time there were no shells bursting on Taba Nyama, away to the right. The great volume of sound rolled up to us, not alone from the Tugela heights, but more incessantly, more vociferously from a point to the right of it, believed to be Kent's Drift, where, on the previous day, it had been rumoured one of our brigades had crossed the river. Listening to that tremendous cannonade, one's mind was carried back again to the day when Oliver Davis—the original, by-the-bye, of Rider Haggard's hero, Alan Quartermain—riding in from the Ingogo with news that the Boers were bringing down a big gun, was laughed at for his absurd story. What a vast gap between the anticipated and actual. The very men who were not expected to get a gun beyond Laing's Nek were engaged in a great artillery duel in the heart of Natal with the finest siege guns that Britain could send afield. It was to the death this time; no one doubted that.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

ST. LEONARDS CIVILIAN RIFLE CLUB.

The members of the St. Leonards Civilian Rifle Club met at Middle Harbour last Saturday to hold the first of six shootings for the silver medal of the National Rifle Association. There was a good muster, but the shooting with a few exceptions was only of the medium order. The conditions were seven shots each at 500 and 600 yards. Members using Martini-Henry rifles were allowed a handicap of 1 point at the longer range. The following are the scores:—

J. J. Mathison, scratch, 60 points; J. Orr, scratch, 57; W. Roberts, 1 point, 58; R. C. Broomham, 1 point, 53; J. B. Thomson, scratch, 53; H. Dakin, 1 point, 51; E. Short, scratch, 51; A. Clark, scratch, 49; G. James, scratch, 49; B. Bowring, scratch, 49; S. B. Bailey, scratch, 48; W. Patterson, scratch, 47; J. Broomham, scratch, 43; C. Broomham, scratch, 38; A. C. Wischeart, scratch, 37; H. Nock, scratch, 31; H. Abercrombie, 1 point, 26; P. Simpson, 1 point, 17; F. H. Pearce, 1 point, 15.

HIGH RECORDS AT LITHGOW.

LITHGOW, Thursday.

The highest rifle score yet made on the local range was recorded in last week's shooting by the president, Mr. George Coulcher, of the Reserves, who made 67 at 500 and 600 yards, being only three less than a possible. Mr. Coulcher's previous highest score, made a few weeks ago, was 65. The score of 67 is all the more creditable from the fact that the light was imperfect at the time of shooting.

PRIZE SHOOTING AT GOULBURN.

GOULBURN, Thursday.

The rifle club of G Company, 2nd Regiment, held a half-day's prize shooting on Saturday afternoon. There were no less than 76 entrants. The following are the prize-winners:—

E. J. Herde, 6 points handicap, 67; J. Hall, 13, 67; Private Lees, 8, 63; J. H. Pryke, 15, 63; Captain Newman, 10, 61; Private Davis, 10, 60; Private C. Morris, nil, 59; M. A. Pryke, 14, 59; Private Ball, 0, 58; L. Grainger, 16, 58; Private W. Barnes, 4, 56; Private Donnelly, 6, 56; Private Miles, 9, 56; Warder Francis, 9, 56; Private Fowler, 0, 55; Warder Goodman, 10, 55; Lieutenant Fitzgerald, 2, 54; Private Nettleton, 15, 54; Private M'Clelland, 14, 54; W. J. Farber, 0, 53; Private Noble, 14, 53; E. Pryke, 16, 52.

COMPETITION AT GLEN INNES.

GLEN INNES, Thursday.

The following competition in connection with the Civilian Rifle Club for the N.R.A. medal was shot off on the local range on April 25 and 28, ten shots rapid at 500 and five deliberate with one sighting shot at 600 yards, with the following result:—

J. H. Chuddy, 38, 24—62; J. J. Whyte, 35, 24—59; J. Carter, 31, 27—58; S. Travers, 30, 26—56; F. J. Thomas, 26, 26—52; J. M. White, 47; E. T. Ensor, 25, 17—42; C. J. Kemp, 18, 22—40.

The first competition for the medal presented by the Mayor (Alderman J. J. White) will be shot off on May 5 and 9.

KATOOMBA, Wednesday.

The following are the principal scores made by the members of the Katoomba Rifle Club for the monthly shooting in connection with the present quarterly conditions, seven shots, at 500 and 600 yards, best two scores out of three to count, two points allowance for M.H. rifles:—

G. Crawshaw, scratch, 57; F. Winser, scratch, 57; S. Thorncroft, handicap 6, allowance 2, 57; C. Johnstone, handicap 13, allowance 2, 57; W. Rohrmann, handicap 8, allowance 2, 55; W. Weeks, scratch, allowance 2, 55; A. Acland, handicap 7, allowance 2, 54.

NARRABRI, Wednesday.

The following are the prize winners for the March shooting of the C.R.C.:—A. J. Hallett, 121; H. C. Denham, 119; W. Ferguson, 117. The highest scores for the first month's shooting for the N.R.A. medal are:—H. Logue, 61; A. J. Hallett, 56; J. J. Piper, 56; H. C. Denham, 54; J. W. Laird, 53; W. G. Denham, 52; W. Ferguson, 52; H. Freeman, 52.

NOWRA, Wednesday.

A rifle match took place at the Nowra range to-day between teams of the Kangaroo Valley and the Nowra Civilian Rifle clubs, 10 a side, 7 shots each, 500 and 600 yards. The visitors won. The scores were:—Valley, 482 (R. Wright 61); Nowra, 444 (W. Armstrong 54).

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MINISTER FOR WORKS AT BROKEN HILL.

MR. O'SULLIVAN INDISPOSED.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

Mr. O'Sullivan, Minister for Works, delivered an address last night at Hagerty's Hall, South Broken Hill, to a fairly large audience on social subjects, but owing to a severe cold his remarks were not so lengthy as he intended. When he concluded he was accorded loud and prolonged applause. Messrs. Quinn, Kidd, and Spruson, Ms.L.A., also spoke. Mr. Josiah Thomas, member for the district, in proposing a vote of thanks to the speakers, referred to the proposed Broken Hill—Cockburn railway. He said that if it could not be shown the Public Works Committee that the line would pay he and the other members for the district would not ask the Government to go on with it.

Prior to addressing the meeting Mr. O'Sullivan was waited upon by a deputation from the South Broken Hill Progress Committee. The following requests were preferred:—A footpath across the mines, railway from Cockburn to Menindie, a tramway for Broken Hill, water supply, Court of Petty Sessions for South Broken Hill, an extension of polling hours for the municipal elections, and a grant in aid of the South Broken Hill library.

The Minister said he was glad the Progress Committee waited upon him. He regarded progress committees as primary organisations which helped to carry on self-government. In regard to a footpath over the mines he thought it would only be fair to wait the result of the pending conference. When he knew the result of the conference, and if he found it necessary in the interests of the people that they should have a footpath over the mines, they would have it. He was going to recommend a railway line to Cockburn. In regard to tramways, his idea was to have a circular line serving every part of Broken Hill. He was going back with that idea, although he would not pledge himself to it. If they favoured an up-to-date electric tramway system it might dispense with the necessity for a footpath over the mines. When the question of water supply was put before him by the council he would send up an expert to report if one was required. The lighting of the town was also a matter for the municipality to lay before him. The advisableness of having a Court of Petty Sessions at South Broken Hill did not come within the scope of his department, but he would lay the matter before a responsible Minister. If he could extend the hours of polling by proclamation he would be glad to do so, but he thought another bill would be required. He would lay the matter of a grant for a library before the Minister for Education.

Mr. O'Sullivan was confined to his room to-day with bronchitis, so he was unable to accompany the members for the district and several aldermen, who drove out this morning to Thackaringa to inspect the country through which the proposed line to Cockburn will pass.

PUBLIC MEETING AT THE TOWN HALL.

In the evening Mr. O'Sullivan, though suffering from an attack of bronchitis, addressed a large public meeting held in the Town Hall. The Mayor presided.

MR. O'SULLIVAN'S SPEECH.

Mr. E. W. O'Sullivan said he had pleasure in revisiting the important mining centre of the Barrier ranges, with its wonderful silver mines at Broken Hill and elsewhere. Twenty-two years ago this region was almost a desert, whose solitude was only broken by the footfall of the few sheep, horses, &c., that trod its valleys, or startled by the crack of the whips of the drover and carrier. Now it was the habitation of nearly 30,000 persons, and since the discovery of silver there it had made the fortunes of not a few millionaires, and given employment to thousands of men, who in their turn had made prosperous the business of storekeepers, bankers, tradesmen, and others. It was a marvellous illustration of the beneficial results of mining, and the only regret he had about the matter was that the policy of his chief, Mr. Lyne, when he proposed a railway from Nyngan to Broken Hill and Cockburn in 1886 had not been carried out. If it had been the Barrier region would have been much better known to the people of New South Wales, and Sydney would have done a considerable portion of the trade with Broken Hill, Wilcannia, Menindie, Mount Brown, the White Cliffs, and the Paroo district. As it was the people of Broken Hill and all other centres of population west of the Darling were more connected with South Australia and Victoria than they were with the State of which they politically and geographically formed a portion. This was a penalty which the people of New South Wales paid for having allowed their destinies to be swayed by short sighted and provincial politicians, who had neglected the golden opportunity which had been offered to them for extending the trade of Sydney to the far western bounds of New South Wales. He hoped to in some measure repair that mistake by carrying the railway from Cobar to Wilcannia this session. At the outset he would anticipate questions which would be put to him by stating that he would also submit to Parliament a line from Broken Hill to Cockburn, another from Broken Hill to Menindie, where he hoped an irrigation colony and a sanatorium would be established for the benefit of the heat-oppressed residents of Silveropolis. When the line to Wilcannia was constructed it would be his duty to propose a connection with the line terminating at Menindie, and this if carried out would give direct railway communication with Sydney, and form portion of future great transcontinental lines to Port Darwin and Perth (W.A.). He hoped also to be able to propose a scheme of tramways for Broken Hill if it could be shown that they would pay. While there it would be his duty to also lay the foundation-stone of a Technical College. The people of Broken Hill, who had been large contributors to the New South Wales revenue in various ways, would thus see that if previous Governments had overlooked them, the Lyne Administration would not do so. They had faith in the continuance of the silver fields, which for many years had been the richest in the world. He claimed for the Lyne Ministry that it was alive to the interests of every class in the community, and the distance that the people of the Barrier regions were from their metropolis would not prevent the same attention being given them. It was a Ministry which could claim to be progressive as well as prudent. It had passed social legislation of a most important character, that benefited the shop employees, the seamen, the selectors, the miners, and the members of friendly societies, &c. It had completed the work of codifying the laws, and it had benefited the condition of the workers by raising the minimum rate for labourers to 7s per day, by establishing trades-union rates for skilled workmen, by granting holidays to maintenance men, and by shortening the hours of labour for thousands of men and women. All this was good humanitarian work, and it would be backed up next session by other important measures conducive to the welfare of men and women alike. At the same time other interests would not be overlooked. The slum quarters of Sydney would be resumed and beautified and improved, the city railway constructed, and the North Shore bridge carried out. More harbour works would be started, and a comprehensive scheme of water conservation and light railways initiated. The problem of the Western pastoralists and lessees was a profound and complicated one, which would take a considerable amount of serious consideration to master. The present Government, being mostly composed of country members, felt equal to grappling with the question; but as there seemed to be a strong desire for the granting of a Royal Commission to report upon the whole matter, such a body would be established in order that sworn evidence might be laid before members of Parliament who had not the opportunity for visiting the Far West for the purpose of making themselves personally acquainted with the pressing wants of its people. He had recently laid the views of some of these Far Western people before the public, but he had no doubt that the Royal Commission would do so in a more exhaustive and convincing manner. Some relief was absolutely essential if the present holders were to be kept upon the soil. In addition to that the problem embodied a serious labour question, for if the pastoral holdings were to fail what would become of the employment given to the thousands of shearers and others who annually earned their cheques on the stations in the West? Many of these men came from Monaro, Braidwood, Queanbeyan, Yass, Young, Gundagai, Cowra, Orange, New England, and other districts of New South Wales; and if they did not earn money by shearing on the Western stations there would be a considerable restriction of the spending power of the people in these districts; and the country towns and Sydney, which did a considerable trade with them, would also be seriously affected. It would thus be seen that the Western problem was far-reaching in its ramifications, and tens of thousands of people besides those on the runs and homestead leases were interested in its satisfactory settlement. The result of the Royal Commission's labours could be safely trusted to the Lyne Government, who would endeavour to do justice to the West, while conserving the interests of the community at large. He knew that the policy and administration of the members of that Government were approved by an overwhelming majority of the people, and they could therefore meet Parliament with the full assurance that their conduct would be endorsed by the people's representatives, however industriously a certain ostracised political chieftain and his henchmen might misrepresent the Government, or squeal concerning the financial investigation he had so vigorously clamoured for, but now apparently did not relish. An express train could not be thrown off the track by a few pebbles, and the Government that had fearlessly and fairly done its duty was not to be overthrown by the excited and biassed statements of certain office seekers, who had been struck in the solar plexus by the swing-back of the pendulum of public opinion. No set of men was indispensable to the good government of New South Wales, and he thought the experience of the last eight months had proved that Parliament had made no mistake when it terminated the Reid regime and brought into existence a new Government whose policy was based upon prudence, progression, and justice to all classes. (Cheers.)

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WELLINGTON TO WERRIS CREEK RAILWAY.

INQUIRY BY THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.

DUBBO, Wednesday.

Messrs. W. T. Dick (chairman), J. M'Farlane, J. C. Watson, P. L. C. Shepherd, C. Lyne (secretary), members of the Public Works Committee, arrived at Dubbo by mail train yesterday morning, accompanied by Mr. S. Phillips, member for the district. They were welcomed by the Mayor, Aldermen E. H. Utley, W. Field, and W. G. Ross. At 11 o'clock they commenced an inquiry at the Town Hall, in reference to the claims of Dubbo as the junction for the Werris Creek line. The Mayor (Alderman J. A. Ryan) was examined, and advocated the line for the benefit of stockowners in drought time, also on national grounds. Mr. John Miller (Murrungundy), gave evidence regarding the agricultural capabilities. He stated that a branch from Dubbo would give farmers the benefit of the Parkes market. Mr. R. M'Gee, stationmaster, stated that the traffic in farm produce had increased considerably during the last five years. Mr. W. B. Dayrell, manager of the Dubbo Milling Company, gave evidence as to the wheat-growing capabilities of the country between Dubbo and Murrungundy. Messrs. E. H. Utley, C. H. Fitzhardinge, J. C. Tibbits, James Hoane, W. W. Baird, Charles Cadell, and R. B. Mackenzie, district surveyor, also gave evidence.

Thursday.

The Public Works Committee continued its inquiry into the proposed Wellington to Werris Creek railway here to-day.

James Hoan yesterday referred to the coal-bearing country of Talbragar, which would be best tapped by a line from Dubbo. To-day Mr. R. G. Dulhunty, J.P. (stock inspector), Mr. William Handover, and the Peak Hill delegates, Messrs. Matthews (Mayor of Peak Hill), J. D. Mackay (of Bulgandramine), and T. Bridle supported the extension from Dubbo. The inquiry closed at noon. In the afternoon the Public Works Committee inspected the deviation of the Coonamble route, suggested by the Mayor as one which would encroach on less private property than would the surveyed route.

THE MOREE SHOW.

A SUCCESSFUL EXHIBITION.

MOREE, Thursday.

The show opened yesterday, and promises to be a success. Rain fell this morning, but the weather cleared later on. Entries in all classes are good. The Minister for Lands (Mr. Hassall) was present. Awards were as follows:—

Cattle.—Champion bull, champion cow, and shorthorn bull, 2 years and under 3: E. H. Wall, 1; Banghett Estate, 2. Bull, 1 year and under 2: W. Kendall, 1; Banghett Estate, 2. Bull calf, under 1 year: Banghett Estate. Cow in calf or calf at foot: Banghett Estate, 1 and champion; W. Kendall, 2. Heifer, 2 years and under 3: A. Forbes. Heifer, 1 year and under 2: Banghett Estate. Heifer calf, under 1 year: Banghett Estate, 1; W. Kendall, 2. Pen of three breeding cows, 3 years and over: Banghett Estate, 1; W. Kendall, 2. Pen of three heifers, 1 and under 2 years: Banghett Estate, 1; A. Forbes, 2. Herefords, polled Angus bull, 3 years and over: W. J. Stewart. Bull, 2 years and under 3: F. W. Kirkby, 1; A. H. Kirkby, 2. Bull over 1 year and under 2, bull calf under 1 year, cow in calf or with calf at foot: F. W. Kirkby, 1; W. J. Stewart, 2. Heifer, 2 years and under 3: W. J. Stewart. Heifer, 1 year and under 2: W. J. Stewart. Heifer calf, under 1 year: W. J. Stewart. Dairy cattle, champion bull: R. A. M'Master. Ayrshire bull, any age: R. A. M'Master. Ayrshire cow, any age: R. A. M'Master. Jersey bull, any age (one entry): R. A. M'Master, 1. Jersey cow, any age (3 entries): H. R. Murray, 1 and 2. Fat cattle—three fat bullocks: Banghett Estate. Two fat bullocks: Banghett Estate. Fat bullock: Banghett Estate. Fat bullocks, 2 years and under 3: Banghett Estate, 1; Cameron, Meyniak, and Crane, 2. Fat cows: Banghett Estate, 1; A. Thomson, 2. Fat cow: A. Jones, 1; W. Woods, 2. Fat heifer, 2 years and under 3: A. Jones. Shorthorns, &c. (for occupiers of not more than 10,000 acres)—champion bull, 3 years or over: E. H. Wall. Champion cow, 2 years or over: Banghett Estate. Durham bull, 3 years and over: Gill, 1; A. Jones, 2. Durham bull, 1 year and under 2: A. Forbes. Durham bull calf, under 1 year: W. Kendall, 1; A. Forbes, 2. Durham cow, in calf or calf at foot: A. Forbes, 1; E. Hill, 2. Durham heifer, 2 years and under 3: E. Hill, 1; A. Jones, 2. Durham heifer, 1 year and under 2: J. F. Boydell, 1 and 2. Durham heifer calf, under 1 year: J. F. Boydell, 1; A. Forbes, 2.

Sheep.—Merino, fine or medium combing, unhoused. First prize, £1 and certificate, unless otherwise stated; second, certificate. Champion ram: J. W. Eckford. Champion ewe: P. C. Watt. Ram, eight-tooth: J. W. Eckford. Ram, six-tooth: P. C. Watt, 1; J. Halse, 2. Ram, four-tooth: J. W. Eckford, 1; P. C. Watt, 2. Ram, two-tooth: P. C. Watt, 1; J. W. Eckford, 2. Ram, weaner, unshorn: P. C. Watt, 1; J. Halse, 2. Ram, weaner, unshorn: J. W. Eckford. Three ram weaners (shorn): J. Halse. Three rams, two-tooth: J. Halse. Three rams, four-tooth: J. W. Eckford. Ewe, eight-tooth and over: P. C. Watt, 1; J. W. Eckford, 2. Ewes, six-tooth (three entries): P. Mullins, 1; J. Halse, 2. Ewe, four-tooth: J. W. Eckford, 1; P. C. Watt, 2. Ewe, two-tooth: J. W. Eckford. Ewe, weaner, unshorn: J. Halse. Three ewe weaners, shorn: J. W. Eckford. Merino, strong combing, unhoused, champion ram: J. W. Eckford. Champion ewe: J. W. Eckford. Ram, eight-tooth: J. W. Eckford. Ram, four-tooth: J. W. Eckford. Ram, two-tooth, three: J. W. Eckford, 1; J. Halse, 2. Ram, weaner, unshorn: J. Halse. Ram, weaner, shorn: J. W. Eckford. Ewe, eight-tooth and over: J. W. Eckford. Ewe, six-tooth: J. Halse. Ewe, four-tooth: J. Halse. Ewe, two-tooth: J. W. Eckford, 1; J. Halse, 2. Ewe weaner, unshorn: J. Halse. Ewe weaner, shorn: J. W. Eckford, 1; P. Mullins, 2. Pen 10 merino rams, weaners, shorn: J. W. Eckford. Pen 10 merino ewes, weaners, shorn: J. W. Eckford. Merino fine or medium combing, unhoused, owners of not more than 10,000.—Champion ram: J. Halse. Champion ewe: P. Mullens. Ram, eight-tooth, J. Halse. Six-tooth: J. Halse. Four-tooth: W. Kendall. Two-tooth (three entries): P. Mullens, 1; J. Halse, 2. Ram, weaner unshorn: P. Mullens, 1; W. R. Scott, 2. Ram, weaners shorn, P. Mullens. Ewe, eight-tooth, J. Halse, 1; P. Mullens, 2. Ewe, six-tooth, P. Mullens, 1; J. Halse, 2. Ewe, four-tooth: J. Halse, 1; W. R. Scott, 2. Ewe, two-tooth, P. Mullens, 1; W. Kendall, 2. Ewe, weaner unshorn: W. R. Scott, 1; J. Halse, 2. Ewe, weaner shorn, P. Mullens, 1; W. Woods, 2. Merino, strong combing unhoused, owners of not more than 10,000.—Champion ram: J. Halse. Champion ewe: P. Mullins. Ram, eight-tooth and over: J. Halse, 1; W. R. Scott, 2. Ram, six-tooth: W. R. Scott, 1; J. Halse, 2. Ram, four-tooth: W. Kendall. Ram, two-tooth: J. Halse, 1; A. Jones, 2. Ram, weaner, unshorn, bred by exhibitor: W. R. Scott, 1 and 2. Ewe, eight-tooth and over: P. Mullins, 1; J. Halse, 2. Ewe, six-tooth: J. Halse, 1; W. Kirkby, 2. Merino ewe, four-tooth: W. R. Scott, 1; J. Halse, 2. Merino ewe, two-tooth: P. Mullins, 1; W. R. Scott, 2. Merino weaner, unshorn: P. Mullins, 1; W. R. Scott, 2. Merino ewe, weaner: P. Mullins. Lincolns (first prize 10s and certificate, second prize certificate).—Champion ewe, any age: J. Halse. Ram, weaner: W. J. Stewart. Ewe, six-tooth and over: J. Halse, 1. Ewe, weaner: J. Halse. Fat sheep (pets included).—Pen of three merino wethers: W. J. Stewart, 1; E. Hill, 2. Pen of three merino ewes: W. Woods. Pen of three wethers, any breed: W. J. Stewart, 1 and 2. Wether, any breed: J. W. Eckford, 1; W. J. Stewart, 2. Ewe, any breed: J. W. Stewart. Three fat lambs (merino): J. W. Stewart, 1 and 2. Three fat lambs (crossbred): W. J. Stewart.

Poultry.—Bantams: B. Pryer, 1 and 2. Australian game, black-red: J. L. Cohen. Australian game, hen feather: W. Kendall. Indian game, J. Morgan, 1 and 2. Andalusian: S. L. Cohen. Minorcas: S. L. Cohen. Spanish: A. Jones, 1; A. Forbes, 2. Leghorns, white: C. Cameron. Wyandottes, silver: C. Cameron. Langshans: W. Keen, 1; B. Scott, 2. Guinea fowls: A. Forbes. Turkeys: W. Keddell. Ducks, Rouen: H. M. L. Pike, 1; T. Garner, 2. Coop of fowls suitable for export: T. H. Redfearn, 1; Miss E. C. Shaw, 2. Coop of ducks suitable for export, one entry: T. H. Redfearn, 1.

Pigeons and Canaries.—Pairs canaries, pair pouters, pair tumblers, pair fantails, pair Jacobins, pair dragons, turbits, Birmingham rollers, owls: B. Bryer was the winner in all the classes. Pair canaries: Miss Myra Cohen. Collection Australian birds: J. Maloney.

Dogs.—Cattle dog: W. J. Stewart, 1; A. Forbes, 2. Sheep dog: W. J. Stewart, 1; C. Cameron, 2. Greyhound dog: J. M'Carthy. Kangaroo dog: H. Walden. Terrier dog, rough hair: H. M. L. Pike. Terrier dog, smooth hair: T. Pitman. Pointer dog: E. A. M'Namara. Setter dog or slut: Manchee Brothers. Fox terrier dog: S. L. Cohen, 1; A. N. Badcock, 2. Pug dog: F. W. Kirkby.

Pavilion Exhibits.—Best pavilion exhibit: M. Lewis. Produce grown or made by exhibitor, 1cwt. potatoes, three bushels of maize, three bushels of wheat: A. Forbes. Truss of oaten hay: F. W. Kirkby. Truss wheaten hay: F. W. Kirkby. Bag chaff (any description): A. Forbes, 1 and 2. Bag flour: W. Finkernagel. Six table pumpkins: A. Forbes. Two lb. fresh butter: A. Forbes, 1 and 2. One lb. loaf home-made bread: Miss L. Horton. Roll of spiced beef: E. A. Traynor. Smoked ox tongue: E. A. Traynor.

WELLINGTON SHOW.

A RECORD EXHIBITION.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

The Wellington Show was continued to-day under most favourable conditions. Special trains ran, and the crowd numbered between 6000 and 7000. Never before has the society been favoured with such satisfactory results, financially and otherwise. In the hunting contests jumps were raised to 4ft. 6in., and in consequence the results were not so pleasing to the spectators as yesterday. Grandmaster, owned by Mr. W. Birchall, fell at the second hurdle, and the rider narrowly escaped being killed, but fortunately was only severely shaken. The trotting events were again keenly contested, and the open trot of £53 was a most exciting race between J. A. Buckland's Valor and Dr. Slate's Juliette, the former winning by a couple of lengths after a splendid race and amidst great cheering. Time, 5 minutes 37 seconds. The winner was driven by Mr. Claude Piper. The awards in horse sections were as under:—

Blood stallion, 3 years and over: J. Montgomery's Goodfellow, 1; T. Reidy, jun.'s, Avenal, 2. Blood mare, 3 years and over: E. A. Smith's Auria. Blood mare, 2 years and under 3: Veech Brothers. Coaching mare and foal: C. H. Barton. Brood mare and foal: E. A. Smith. Best foal sired by Ophir: C. H. Barton. Best Avenal foal: William Davis. Draught stock—Best heavy stallion, 3 years and over: A. G. M'Clymont. Draught stallion, 1 year and under 2: R. Conn. Draught mare, 3 years and over: N. Rodda. Best draught foal: N. Rodda. Pair draught horses: F. J. Rodda. Hackneys, weight-carrier: James Clifford. Light hack: J. Brooks. Miner's hack: P. Harris. Buggy horse: C. R. Pickworth. Buggy horse, under 15 hands: Miss M. Bishop. Lady's buggy horse: W. A. Gardiner. Best turnout, horse, sulky, and harness: James Clifford. Pair buggy horses: Chas. Martin. Pair ponies in harness: E. A. Smith. Pony in harness: Aubrey Robinson. Best turnout sulky, pony, and harness, 13 hands class: A. B. Wilson. Best farm horse: C. G. Scott. Pony, 12 hands and under: W. A. Gardiner. Fourteen hands: Aubrey Robinson. Lady's hack: Edward Smith. Best lady rider, local competition: Miss Brucken. Pair hacks: Edward Smith. Mare producing light hacks and buggy horses: E. J. Matthews. Pony stallion: R. Sherringham. Twelve hands stallion: A. Ferguson. Pony mare: A. E. Fuller. Mare, 12 hands: W. A. Gardiner. Tandem ponies: J. Mylecharane. Pony hack, 12 hands: J. Dowling. Brown stock horse, turnout, and rider: W. A. Gardiner. Pony trot: James Loynes's Ruby. One mile hunter open competition: W. Finn's Loch Marie, 1; Whittaker's Aliets and Young's Skipper divided for second place. In the Ladies Hunting Castlebar, Skipper, and Tancred divided.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

Pony and galloway races will be held at Rosebery Park on Tuesday next, and entries for the different events close with the secretary, Mr. A. E. Bateman, before 5 p.m. to-day. The programme will be found in the advertising columns.

Entries close before 5 p.m. to-day with the secretary, Mr. P. O'Mara, for the pony and galloway races to be held at Kensington on Wednesday. The card will be found in the business sheets.

Quambone J.C. race meeting was yesterday granted registration by the A.J.C.

A meeting of the committee of the A.J.C. was held yesterday afternoon, when the disqualification of Mr. Baxter, imposed for riding at a sports meeting at Murrumburrah which came under the heading of an unregistered meeting, was removed. The appeal of Mr. J. Pearce against the decision of the Tumbarumba T.C. in the Manaseah-Maori Queen case was dismissed. The appeal of Mr. J. Osborne against the decision of the South Gundagai Park R.C. in awarding the prize in the Ladies' Bracelet to Barmaid was again before the committee. On a previous occasion the matter was referred back to the club for a re-hearing, which had been complied with, and the South Gundagai Park R.C. now reported that it had decided that the race be awarded to Mr. Osborne's horse 1900. The appeal was accordingly upheld. The disqualification of the jockey John Drew, of Maryvale, was removed, as also the disqualification of the jockey W. H. Batten, of South Broken Hill. The jockeys W. Woodgate and F. Kuhn were each granted £5 from the funds of the distressed jockeys' fund.

The following scratchings were recorded yesterday in connection with the Warwick Farm May Meeting:—Hurdle Race, Abedare; Farm Stakes, Rifleite; Pace Welter, Hereford.

The Queensland horse Duke of Kent is now being trained by J. Monaghan.

The programme of trotting, pony, and galloway races to be held at Forest Lodge on Monday next is set forth in the advertising columns. Entries for the five events close with the secretary, Mr. T. S. Donnellan, before 5 p.m. to-day.

Our Narandera correspondent telegraphs that Kendall, by Tormentor from Wanda, who won three events at the Narandera Turf Club meeting, has been sold by Mr. M'Grath to Mr. M'Lellan, of Albury, at a high figure.

In another column are given particulars of the Brisbane Cup, 500 sovs., 2 miles, and Moreton Handicap, 250 sovs., 1¼ mile, races which will be decided at the Queensland Turf Club's Autumn Meeting, to be held on May 19, 24, and 26, nominations for which close before 4 p.m., to-day.

The turf loses an able and influential supporter in Mr. M. O'Shanassy, whose death is reported from Comberwell, near Melbourne. For many years Mr. O'Shanassy had horses racing in his colours, but the most successful of them were perhaps Chicago, who won the Caulfield Cup in 1888, and O'Trigger, who won the V.R.C. Bogot Handicap in 1897. Mr. O'Shanassy was a member of the committee of the V.R.C. for several years, and took a good deal of interest in all matters concerning the efficient governing of the turf.

BRIGHTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

Pony and galloway races were held at Brighton yesterday, and were well attended. The jockey P. Hayes was fined £2 for misconduct. Subjoined are the results:—

Tramway Handicap (14.3), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—T. Booke's Panama, 7st 10lb (Evans), 1; Vernon, 8st, 2. Seven started. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Retribution, 2 to 1 v. Panama, 4 to 1 v. Nettle, 5 to 1 v. Vernon, 6 to 1 v. Cowboy. Won by a length. Time, 55½ seconds.

Carlton Handicap (13.3), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—P. Quoin's Polly, 8st 3lb (Whitbread), 1; Miss Rosie, 7st, 2. Six started. Betting: 5 to 2 on Polly, 4 to 1 each v. Blueskin and Nita. Won by a length and a half. Time, 57½ seconds.

Rockdale Handicap (14.2), 5 furlongs 10 yards.—J. Tomlinson's Ada, 9st 3lb (Whitbread), 1; Carmel, 7st 4lb, 2. Six started. Betting: Even money on Ada, 6 to 4 v. Carmel, 5 to 1 v. Churchbelle. Won by a length. Time, 1 minute 6½ seconds.

Beach Handicap (14.0), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—P. Jackson's Savius, 7st 8lb (M'Gregor), 1; Maitese, 8st 1lb, 2. Eight started. Betting: 5 to 2 v. Sardus, 4 to 1 v. Fairy Boy, 5 to 1 v. Little Alice. Won by a length. Time, 56 seconds.

Brighton Handicap (all heights).—P. Walker's Quadret, 8st 5lb (Walker), 1; Mica, 8st 4lb, 2. Four started. Betting: 2 to 1 each v. Fair Nell and Quadret, 5 to 2 v. Mica, 3 to 1 v. Womba. Won by a head. Time, 1 minute 22½ seconds.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.) RACE CLUB.

FIRST DAY.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

The Autumn Meeting of the Wellington R.C. was commenced yesterday, when the race for the principal event resulted as under:—

CHALLENGE STAKES—1½ mile.

Mr. G. G. Steal's ch c Formosan, by St. Leger—Forme 1
Sir G. Clifford's ch c Cannie Chiel, by Clanranald—Weatherye 2
Hon. J. D. Ormond's blk c Paphos, by Robinson Crusoe—Aphrodite 3
Time, 2 minutes 35 1-5 seconds.

INVERELL JOCKEY CLUB.

FIRST DAY.

INVERELL, Thursday.

The first day's racing under the auspices of the Inverell J.C. took place at the Goodwood course yesterday. The weather was beautiful, and there was a fair attendance. The betting was spirited, and there were good fields in each race. Following are the results:—

Opening Handicap of 10 sovs., 6 furlongs.—Mr. White's b g Eulowrie, by Tricolor—Widgee, 8st 5lb (Knight), 1; Mr. Munro's Booroomooka, 9st 2lb (M'Lean), 2; Mr. Cross's Maxim, 8st 10lb (Bercina), 3. Three others started. Won by a length. Time, 1 minute 20 seconds.

Trial Stakes, 15 sovs., seven furlongs.—Mr. White's Eulowrie, by Tricolor—Widgee, 8st 11lb (Knight), 1; Mr. Munro's Iotherna, 8st 12lb (M'Lean), 2; Mr. Hatcher's Talana, 8st 12lb (Hourigan), 3. Four others started. The winner was bumped against a post, and the jockey's leg fractured, but nevertheless Knight stuck to his mount, and won a grand race by a head. Time, 1 minute 35½ seconds.

Town Plate, a handicap of 25 sovs., 1 mile.—Mr. Munro's b g Lord Monmouth, by Invader—Miss Monmouth, 8st 10lb (M'Lean), 1; Mr. Coughlin's ch g John Norton, 7st 2lb (Ross), 2; Mr. Boyd's ch g Bodinerah, 8st 5lb (Boyd), 3. Four others started. Won comfortably by two lengths. Time, 1 minute 45 seconds.

Hack Race, 5 sovs., 6 furlongs.—Mr. Kinross's Talana, 8st 12lb, 1; Mr. Parker's Florrie, 8st 2lb, 2; Mr. Cruickshank's Dagmar, 8st, 3.

Welter Race of 10 sovs., 6 furlongs.—Mr. Munro's br h Booroomooka, by Marvellous—Seabreeze, 11st 7lb (M'Lean), 1; Mr. Kinross's Talana, 11st 5lb (Weymss), 2; Mr. Rose's Stream, 11st 5lb (Boyd), 3. Only three started. Won in a common canter.

NARRANDERA TURF CLUB.

SECOND DAY.

NARRANDERA, Thursday.

The annual race meeting was continued here to-day. The attendance was equally as good as on the first day, while the weather was perfect. From a financial standpoint the meeting has proved a success. Subjoined are the results:—

Murrumbidgee Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Kendall, by Tormentor—Wanda, 10st 2lb, 1; Sunbonnet, 8st 9lb, 2; Abercrombie, 8st 7lb, 3. Betting: 2 to 1 on Kendall, 3 to 1 v. Sunbonnet, 10 to 1 each v. Discord and Abercrombie. Won hard held. Time, 1 minute 35½ seconds.

Second Hurdle Race.—M'Kinnon's Mountaineer, 9st 9lb, 1; La Belle, +; Juanita, +. Betting: Even money on La Belle, 2 to 1 v. Mountaineer, 5 to 1 v. Derby, 10 to 1 v. Juanita. Won by a length, dead heat for second place; Derby was fourth. Time, 4 minutes 19 1-5 seconds. A protest was entered against Mountaineer for jumping a wing, but was dismissed. Derby and his owner were disqualified for two years and the jockey (Costelloe) for three years for making no attempt to race.

Town Plate, 1 mile.—Kendall, by Tormentor—Wanda, 8st 11lb, 1; Eulong, 8st 3lb, 2. Only two started. Betting: 5 to 1 on Kendall, 3 to 1 v. Eulong. A close race, won by a head. Time, 1 minute 49 3-5 seconds.

Welter Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Osray, 9st 9lb, 1; Gauntlet, 8st 12lb, 2; Bira, 1st 12lb, 3. Six started. Betting: 6 to 4 on Bira, 2 to 1 v. Gauntlet, 6 to 1 v. Osray, 10 to 1 v. others. Won by a head. Time, 1 minute 21½ seconds.

Auction Stakes, 6 furlongs.—Mr. Heffernan's Molly Asthore, by Motea—Highland Mary, 8st 5lb, 1; Mr. Hopwell's Creeping Jane, 2. Only two started. Betting: 3 to 1 on Molly Asthore, 3 to 2 v. Creeping Jane. Won easily. Time, 1 minute 22½ seconds.

Farewell Handicap.—Mr. Ball's Seaspray, by Inverness—Seabreeze, 8st 12lb, 1; Eulong, 9st 12lb, 2; Sunbonnet, 8st 5lb, 3. Six started. Betting: 6 to 4 on Seaspray, 3 to 1 each v. Eulong, and Sunbonnet, 10 to 1 v. others. Won by a head. Time, 1 minute 19 seconds.

BLIGH AMATEUR RACES.

SECOND DAY.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

The Bligh amateur race meeting was continued to-day. The attendance was good and the weather fine. The subjoined are the results:—

Newmarket Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Lady Mab, 10st, 1; Saltona, 11st 4lb, 2; Ulliman, 10st 5lb, 3. Five started. Time, 1 minute 20½ seconds.

Welter Handicap, once round.—Loch Leven, by Lochiel—Saltarella, 12st 12lb, 1; Medora, 10st, 2; Misfortune, 11st, 3. Time, 2 minutes 21½ seconds.

Bracelet Mile.—Saturn, 11st 2lb, 1; Claymore, 11st 12lb, 2; Hercules, 11st 2lb, 3. Six started. Won by half a head. Time, 1 minute 49 seconds.

Cudgegong Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Hercules, 11st 7lb, 1; Misfortune, 11st 2lb, 2; Horne, 9st 10lb, 3. Time, 1 minute 36½ seconds.

Doncaster, 1 mile.—Saltowa, by Lochiel—Saltarella, 12st 7lb, 1; Delusive, 11st 2lb, 2; Underhand, 10st 1lb, 3. Time, 1 minute 49 seconds.

Consolation Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Delusion, 12st, 1; Lady Stuart, 9st 10lb, 2; Ulliman, 11st 7lb, 3. Time, 1 minute 22 seconds.

COURSING.

ORANGE COURSING CLUB.

ORANGE, Thursday.

The Orange coursing meeting was held to-day. Following are the results:—

Open Stakes.

First Round.—Mr. Loughnane's Llewellyn beat Mr. Shield's Lyrist, Mr. Rule's Chesterfield beat Mr. Merrick's Buzom IV., Mr. Bennett's War Paint beat Mr. Loughnane's Love Wisely.

Second Round.—Llewellyn beat Chesterfield, War Paint a bye.

Final.—Mr. A. Bennett's War Paint, by Leopold—Myrtle, beat Mr. T. Loughnane's Llewellyn, by Gameboy—Lucille, and won the stake.

St. Leger Stakes.

First Round.—Mr. Loughnane's Lily of the West beat Mr. Rule's Goldlink, Mr. Merrick's Bird of Paradise beat Mr. Rule's Flora Goldsmith, Mr. Loughnane's Locksmith beat Mr. Gardiner's General Buller.

Second Round.—Bird of Paradise beat Lily of the West, Locksmith a bye.

Final.—Mr. Merrick's Bird of Paradise, by Harold—Nightingale, beat Mr. Loughnane's Locksmith, by Goldsmith—Lucille, and won the stake.

Impromptu Stake.

Final.—Mr. C. Townsend's Snug, by Bazouk—Mystery, beat Mr. A. Brook's Barb, and won the stake.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Beautifully fine weather favoured the opening of the coursing season in the metropolis to-day on the Moonee Valley and Plumpton Park grounds, and the outing was enjoyed by a fair number of spectators. There were 26 competitors for the Valley Cup, which was run through twice, Confide, Procyon, Goldspur, and Miss Goldsmith all showing good form. Two other small stakes were decided. The hares did not run quite up to expectation and there was a large proportion of kills; but the trials were on the whole excellent.

POLO.

A team from the Sydney Polo Club, having received an invitation from the Muswellbrook Club, will visit Muswellbrook next week. The team will consist of Messrs. F. A. Hawley, B. Richards, W. H. Watt, and Flag-Lieutenant Stewart, R.N., and will play against a Scone team on Wednesday, and a Muswellbrook team on Friday. The visiting teams will also attend the Amateur Races which take place on Tuesday and Thursday, also the ball to be held in connection therewith.

GOLF.

ROYAL SYDNEY v. AUSTRALIAN GOLF CLUB.

The second half of the above match will take place to-morrow. Last Saturday the A teams met at Botany and the B at Bondi. For the second round the scenes will be reversed. The Royal Sydney Club, which is leading in both series, will be weakened by the absence of Mr. H. Macneil, who has left for New Zealand, and consequently changes have taken place in the Royal Sydney team. The engagements are:—

A TEAMS.

R.S.G.C.		Australian G.C.
E. P. Simpson	v.	Sir W. Anstruther
J. Kidd	v.	E. J. B. Macarthur
S. E. Laidley	v.	W. P. Martin
L. Dobbin	v.	C. B. Burnside
A. A. Hunt	v.	A. G. Fraser
G. E. Fairfax	v.	R. D. Blomfield
A. E. Nott	v.	J. O. Fairfax
H. M. Hamilton	v.	A. Knox

B TEAMS.

H. C. Piper	v.	A. E. Tooth
E. R. Graham	v.	Colonel Jopp
E. M. Stephen	v.	C. C. Griffith
W. M. Allen	v.	W. T. Soeille
L. T. Whitfield	v.	F. Aronson
H. B. Gritton	v.	R. T. Reading
J. Fraser	v.	J. Hughes
E. D. Hoben	v.	J. W. Street

ROYAL SYDNEY GOLF CLUB.

The annual meeting of the above club was held on Wednesday evening, Mr. Macneil being in the chair. Several alterations in the rules were made, the most important being that the captaincy was made elective, and an extension of the rule for introducing visitors. The committee was recommended to allow associate members the privilege of playing on the links on public holidays after 2.30, i.e., after all the men players had started the round, and a suggestion of the associate members was approved that a president of associate members be elected. Recommendations in favour of the issue of a printed programme of fixtures and the playing of matches with suburban clubs were also passed. The meeting also suggested encouragement of boys, relatives of members, playing on links. The officers elected were:—Patrons, his Excellency the Governor, the Hon. the Chief Justice, and his Excellency the Naval Commander-in-Chief; president, Hon. B. R. Wise, Q.C.; captain, Mr. E. P. Simpson; hon. secretary, Mr. H. B. Gritton; hon. treasurer, Mr. H. M. Hamilton; committee, Messrs. Macneil, Dobbin, G. E. Fairfax, Stephen, Hunt, and Piper.

CYCLING.

BURWOOD BICYCLE CLUB'S ROAD RACE.

The following handicaps have been issued for the Burwood Club's road race which takes place next Saturday:—

O. De Lissa, scratch; A. Pontey, 20 seconds; W. Barry, 25 seconds; G. Park, W. Goodall, 1 minute; B. Turnbull, R. Clark, 1 minute 15 seconds; H. Martindale, S. Gentle, S. S. Lawrence, 1 minute 20 seconds; W. Turnbull, 1 minute 25 seconds; W. Maidment, 1 minute 30 seconds; E. G. Levick, 1 minute 35 seconds, J. Ashdowne, 1 minute 40 seconds; T. Wilson, G. Pullford, 1 minute 55 seconds; E. A. Perry, 2 minutes; L. Reimenschneider, 2 minutes 5 seconds; W. Clark, F. Kellett, B. Nurse, 2 minutes 15 seconds; C. Fischer, J. Cummins, 2 minutes 25 seconds; E. J. Proud, 2 minutes 30 seconds; A. Constable, 2 minutes 35 seconds; H. Ash, A. Maidment, H. Pigott, E. J. Webb, F. A. Lewis, 2 minutes 40 seconds; W. Rogers, A. Lyon, 2 minutes 45 seconds; W. Walker, O. Bell, J. Budge, 2 minutes 50 seconds; F. Finlay, O. Bellmaine, E. M'Artney, 2 minutes 55 seconds; F. W. Henderson, C. Howell, H. R. Mutton, W. D. Lane, G. Budge, D. Ellis, 3 minutes; T. Farrell, 3 minutes 15 seconds; C. Tremlett, 3 minutes 20 seconds; J. H. Smith, 3 minutes 25 seconds; R. Parker, 3 minutes 30 seconds; E. Chapman, 3 minutes 40 seconds; J. Francis, 4 minutes; T. C. Riley, 6 minutes.

CYCLISTS FOR THE BRITISH ARMY.

The British Under-Secretary for War, Mr. Wyndham, in the course of his recent speech on the new army programme, stated that the British Government had decided to grant the sum of £50,000 a year to be expended as a capitation fee of £2 a head to each volunteer who qualifies himself as the member of a cyclists' company. This is the first real recognition that cyclists have received from the English war authorities, and despite the fact that the capitation fee does not err on the score of over liberality, the news has been well received by the English military cycling enthusiasts. It is evident, according to the amount of the grant, that the British War Office expects some 25,000 soldier cyclists to enrol in cyclist companies, which only goes to show that the War Office has at last awakened to the value of properly trained cycling corps in modern warfare.

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COBAR, Thursday.

The Cobar Cycling Club has decided to postpone the races from Queen's Birthday to Accession Day, June 20, owing to the fact that improvements to the ground have been commenced which will not be completed in time.

LACROSSE.

A large number of entries have been received for the lacrosse sports meeting to take place on the University oval to-morrow afternoon. An excellent programme has been arranged, including lacrosse items and events in connection with the New South Wales Amateur Athletic Association.

PIGEON SHOOTING.

TAMWORTH, Wednesday.

The pigeon match at Tamworth to-day, prize 100 sovs., with trophy of 10 guineas, was won by—Locksley, 31 killed, 1; Viscount, 30 killed, 2; A. W. Eales, 29 killed, 3. The shooters were entertained in the evening by Mr. C. J. Britton at his residence.

BILLIARDS.

WEISS v. PARKER.

An exhibition game of 1500 up was commenced at the Hotel Arcadia last night between F. Weiss and W. Parker, the former conceding a start of 800 points. There was not a large attendance, though those who were present appreciated the play of the champion. Parker played a lot below his form. The balls did not run kindly for him, nor for that matter did they for Weiss, though the fact that the former has not had much experience in playing in public may have had something to do with his display. However, to-night he may show improved form. The best break of the evening was 169 by the back man, and it was perhaps the most difficult break ever played by him, for it abounded in individual shots of great merit, and there was seldom an easy position. His other efforts were 58, 55, 53, 63, 45; while his opponent, who was getting into his stride towards the close of the evening's play, showed out best in 47 and 28 in succession. Weiss ran to his points with 20 (unfinished), the game being—Parker, 1107; Weiss (in play), 750. The match, which will be concluded this evening, is being played on a Heiron and Smith table.

MARRICKVILLE LOWLANDS.

GOVERNMENT PROPOSAL APPROVED BY THE LOCAL COUNCIL.

An adjourned meeting of the Marrickville Council was held on Wednesday evening for the purpose of further discussing the proposal of the Minister for Works for the improvement of the low-lying portion of the borough, known as Tramvale. The Mayor (Alderman H. A. Langley) presided, and there were also present Aldermen Hesson, Gould, Josephson, Chenhall, Hazlehurst, Howarth, Farr, Ellis, Hardy, Leslie, and Moyes. The Mayor read a letter from the Marrickville Ratepayers' and Progress Association urging the council, on behalf of the ratepayers, to request the Government to resume the whole area affected. On the motion of Alderman Josephson the Mayor's minute on the subject was adopted, and it was decided to discuss the proposal in committee. Alderman Hazlehurst opposed the scheme set forth in the Government proposal, and concurred with the remarks contained in the letter from the ratepayers' association. He suggested that the Minister for Works should postpone the commencement of the work for a fortnight to enable the council to make further suggestions. Alderman Farr strongly supported the proposal for the resumption of the whole of the low-level area, and said he did not think any improvement of an effective character could be carried out unless the whole area were resumed, and portion of the land utilised for a public park. He instanced the Redfern Park, which, he claimed, was many years ago in a much worse condition than the Tramvale area, and which was now a healthy and favourite pleasure resort. After further discussion, Alderman Chenhall moved—"That this council approves of the expenditure proposed by the Minister for Works in connection with the improvement of that portion of the borough known as Tramvale, but urges upon the Government the necessity of resuming without delay the whole or a portion of such lands for the purpose of forming a park or for other general purposes." Alderman Leslie seconded the resolution, which was supported by the Mayor and Alderman Josephson and carried unanimously. Alderman Chenhall moved,—"That this council desires the Minister for Works to extend the eastern channel along the western side of Cook-road to Addison-road, and the western channel from Garner's-avenue to Illawarra-road, and that the Mayor attend on the Minister and urge the necessity for such work." Alderman Leslie seconded the motion, which was agreed to.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Thursday Evening.

To-day's business in investment stocks on the Stock Exchange was on a limited scale, with but few slight fluctuations in value. Commercial Bank of Sydney advanced ½, and New South Wales declined ½. Australian Joint Stock Bank B deposits improved a trifle. Steam were steady. For New Zealand Insurance 58s was offered, and Mercantile Mutual rose 1½d. Australian Gaslight brought £17 11s, an advance of 6d. Breweries were steady, business being confined to Tooth's. Mort's Dock were inquired for at an advance of 3d. Colonial Sugar and Sydney Hydraulic selling at the previous prices. Fresh Food and Ice weakened a trifle, being offered at 18s. For Intercolonial Building 13s was offered.

The following sales were reported on the Sydney Stock Exchange to-day:—Forenoon: Bank of New South Wales, 42½; Australian Gaslight, £17 11s. Noon: Commercial Bank of Sydney, 26½; Australian Gaslight, £17 11s; Colonial Sugar, 36½; Sydney Hydraulic Power (10s paid), 22s 6d. Later: Colonial Sugar, 36½. Afternoon: Commercial Bank of Sydney, 26½; Australian Gaslight, £17 11s. Later: Tooth's Brewery, 26s 6d. Fresh Food and Ice, 18s. The closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Prices. Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	*Yield to Investors.
	£	£	£	p.c.				p.c.
F. STOCK, &c. N.S.W. F. S. 1892	2,549,350	...	...	4	108½	108	109	3¾
Do. Act, 1873, ex int.	530,189	...	...	4	99½	...	99½	3½
Do. 3 p.c.	...	...	...	3	[illegible]	...	...	3
Ditto, 1924-25	...	...	...	3	[illegible]	...	...	...
Do. Deb. 1909	399,300	...	...	5	104	102	...	3¾
Do. Stock 1903	374,900	...	...	4	102½	...	...	...
Q'land D., 1913	...	...	...	4	107	103	...	3½
N.Z. D., 1929	203,700	...	...	4	107½	106	...	3½
Colonial Sugar —D., 1914	...	...	...	5	113	112	...	3¾
Chillagoe 6 per cent. Deb. £25 certif's	...	...	...	...	58½	...	...	...
BANKS. Aust. J.S.	1,167,307	10	7½	...	19	...	...	...
Austr'asia	1,600,000	40	40	8	...	69	...	4½
Royal of Q.	360,275	6	5¼	2½	50	...	...	...
City	240,000	10	8	4	81	81	85	3
New Issue	160,000	10	8	4	78	78	80	8½
Com. of A.f.p.	1,009,327	10	3½	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto, pref.	2,117,070	10	10	3	6 11 6	6 11 6	6 15	4½
Com. of Syd.	1,000,000	25	12½	9	26½	26	26½	4½
N. of Aus. ord.	1,671,250	10	7	...	8	75	...	...
Ditto, pref.	...	10	10	5	...	11¼	...	...
N.S. Wales	1,000,000	20	20	9	42½	42½	42½	4½
North Queensland	100,000	2	2	...	11	13	...	...
Q'nsland Nat.	417,000	5	3	...	...	...	...	...
Union	1,500,000	75	25	6	35	36½	38	4½
DEPOSITS. A.J. Bank Class A	...	...	...	3	14 3	14 3	14 6	4½
Class B	...	...	...	3	12 7½	12 8	13 3	5
Ditto Insc.	787,663	...	...	3	10 5	10	10 9	7
Com. of Aus. A ser., 1898	201,163	...	...	3	19 3	19 3	...	3½
Ditto assets	...	...	...	3	16 9	17 6	...	...
E.S.A. series	...	...	...	3	14 9	15	...	...
Insc. pref.	880,793	...	...	3	11 10½	11 3	13 3	4½
Ditto def.	873,616	...	...	3	14 3	14 6	...	...
Ditto Deb.	280,547	...	...	4	18 6	18 6	...	...
Ditto Ter.	460,474	...	...	4	19 11	19 9	...	...
Nat. of Australia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Q. Nat.	...	...	...	4½	15	14 10	...	4½
STEAM. Bal. N. Ferry	14,400	1	1	10	...	34	37 6	...
Illawarra	86,000	5	3½	8	...	6	6½	...
Newcastle	100,000	1	1	6	19	19	20	6
Nth. Coast	157,743	1	17 6	6	21 9	21	22	...
Syd. Ferries	120,000	1	1	...	36 6	34	37	...
Pt. Jackson	25,000	50	25	10	31	...	...	...
Ditto Co-op. Deb. Shs.	9,388	1	1	5	15 6	16	...	6
INSURANCE. A. M. Fire	37,500	1	7 6	15	25 3	27	...	...
Mer. Mutual	29,250	5	3	15	10 9	10 7½	11 3	...
New Zealand	200,000	10	2	16	...	58	...	...
United	62,500	10	3	10	64	72 6	77 6	...
Intn. New	5,725	10	12 6	10	16	14 6	...	...
GAS. Albury	7,500	1	12 6	10	18	17	...	7
Australian	681,706	6	6	9	17 11	17½	17¾	5½
C. Towers	20,000	10	10	...	14	...	...	...
Goulburn	8,000	1	1	8	24	43 6	...	...
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	24	21 6	...	...
Manly	15,000	1	1	7	24	21 6	...	...
Ditto, New	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mudgee	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Newcastle	25,128	2	2	15	6¾	6¾	6¾	...
Ditto	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	...
North Shore	100,000	1	1	6	30	...	...	...
Ditto, New	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
BREWERIES. Albury	10,500	1	1	8	6 9	...	7	7¾
Ditto	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Australian	96,000	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
C'tlm & Wood Bow.	250,000	1	1	12½	11 9	...	12 6	6½
Marshall's	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perkins	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	7	26 6	26 4	26 6	5½
MISC'L'N'S. Aarons	17,500	5	10	...	7d	7d	1	...
Aus. News	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. H. W. Ship	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burns, Philp	250,000	...	10	...	...	...	...	...
New Issue	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Col. Sugar	1,700,000	20	20	10	36½	36½	...	...
New Issue	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dalgety Co.	1,000,000	10	5	...	...	...	...	...
Lmp. R. Rad.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inter. Travel	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mills Co.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Meb. Trams	400,000	1	1	6	14 11	14 6	...	...
M. at de Piete	150,000	...	...	...	24 6	24 6	24 9	...
Mutual Store	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mort's Dock	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Intn. Pier	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
F. Food Ice	...	...	...	...	...	17 10½	18	...
Do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
New York and B. Tob.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perm. Trustee	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perpet'l Trust	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sch. Hyd.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Syd. Hydraulic	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Intn. Board	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vol. L. Orders	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
LAND & BD. Aus. Mut. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Intn. or Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fed. B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Haymarket D.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Invest. Prov.	6,825	20	20	6	20	20	...	6
Inter. B. Dep.	...	...	15	7	19	13	...	8
Newcastle & I.	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	...
By. Pro. Land	...	...	...	...	6 10	6	7 6	...
Fed. & S. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	4 3	...	...

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on year's distribution; otherwise on the last half-yearly one.
† Cum rights.

There were many inquiries to-day as to the results of the tendering for the £500,000 of Treasury Bills. And some of the tenderers think that they ought to have been informed of their success or otherwise. The range of prices communicated at a late hour through the Premier from Quirindi will probably assure all tenderers over £100 10s, ranging up to £101 18s 9d, of a full allotment. But those under that figure cannot by any means be certain of success. The highest tenderer will only receive £3 1s 9d per cent. on the amount subscribed by him, allowing for the loss of the premium during the five years of the currency of the bills. The lowest tenderer, on the other hand, offering only about £98 10s, looked for an allotment to yield £3 17s per cent.

The wharfowners of Darling Harbour are exercising themselves considerably as to their position in consequence of the Government resumption. Though there are some not anxious to part with their properties, probably all objection would be removed if they could secure an investment yielding an equal amount otherwise. But this, of course, is hardly possible by any mere exchange of property for Government stock. The Government or trust will expect to obtain money to pay for the resumptions at a lower rate than that yielded on the present capital value of the wharfs. The question presents itself simply in this way. The land may be resumed under the terms of the Lands for Public Purposes Acquisition Act of 1880 and an amending Act of 1891. The owner makes his claim within 90 days of resumption. The Crown Solicitor shall within 60 days advise the Minister for Lands with respect to the claim, and it will be his duty to cause a valuation of the estate or interest, and inform the claimant as soon as practicable of the amount of valuation. If there is no agreement the claimant may go to the Supreme Court.

The real interest centres in the method of valuation. The annual value of a wharf is determined first by the earnings, of which the principal feature would be the net rental. But it is the capital value that is required on resumption. This perhaps is not so easily ascertained. If the net earnings from a wharf are, say, £500 per annum, what is the capital value? Is it to be reckoned as yielding 3 per cent., 5 per cent., or 10 per cent? According to the yield will be the amount to be paid as compensation. If it is 4 per cent., then the capital value is £12,500; if 5 per cent., then it is £10,000; if 8 per cent., £6250. The principal representing an annual income of £500 from bank, steam, or brewery stock is readily ascertainable, because there are daily sales on the basis given in our Stock Exchange lists; but transactions in wharf properties are rare. And it is here that the difficulty will lie. Doubtless, however, it will not be insuperable.

If for illustrative purposes we assume that the net annual earnings of the Darling Harbour wharfs are £50,000 per annum, and that this represents 5 per cent. on the capital value, then this is £1,000,000. And the Government or Harbour Trust resuming the wharfs would pay the owners this sum. With Government credit such an amount in a favourable money market might be borrowed at about 3 per cent., costing £30,000 per annum. The Government or Harbour Trust would in that event start with a saving acquired by superior credit of £20,000 per annum. This sum at the same rate would be equal to a further loan of £666,666, which would be available to improve the wharfs. If no more were required for the purpose, then the Government or Trust would hold the wharfs free of extra annual cost, and be able to lease them without addition to the present rentals. But, presumably, the improvements made, if well planned to facilitate the trade, would give the properties an increase of annual value, which lessees could afford to pay by reason of the greater facilities for handling the traffic. It is in ways such as this that great wharfage and city improvements have been effected in Glasgow, Birmingham, and elsewhere without adding to the cost of conducting the business, while giving fair compensation to the owners of resumed properties. But these will have to be carefully planned, or the cost of the work, which has to be paid for by shipowners, may unduly weight the trade of the port with onerous wharfage charges.

The announcement by cable that the North German Lloyd's steamers have been forbidden to bring dairy produce and freshly slaughtered meat to Germany from Australia and China will of course tend to restrict our market for a time while the prohibition lasts. It is of course a part of the general policy which the Agrarian party has succeeded in passing, and which will affect the United States more than Australia. The Reichstag but recently passed a bill which contained restrictions against the importation of American meat. The storm had been threatening for some time, and the American Government had been preparing for it. A cable message from New York, published in England, says that:—"In the impending war of tariffs with Germany the Agricultural Department has prepared a scheme of retaliation based upon a two years' collection of data on German imports into the States. The inquiry by the Agricultural Department, if published, will affect German trade with other countries, as it covers an extensive series of analyses of German wines and beers, German coloured woollen and cotton goods, and other articles in which dyeing materials are employed. Whether or not a reciprocity treaty with Germany be concluded, the results of the Agricultural Department's investigations may be published—to the astonishment of other than the American public! If the Government bill becomes law, it will be followed by the immediate issuing of regulations excluding from the United States ports German wines, beers, stockings, and all coloured woollen and cotton goods." English manufacturers are anticipating that the German goods excluded from the United States will be required from England, and are preparing to supply them.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat ruled quiet at 2s 8d for primest samples. Despite the London market being unfavourable, further parcels are to be shipped. The Afric sails on the 14th instant with 200 tons of wheat, and a mail steamer will shortly be cleared with between 100 and 200 tons for London. Flour remained quiet at £6 5s to £6 10s. 270 tons changed hands in a line on private terms.

Mr. F. B. Guthrie, the Agricultural Department's chemist, has during the past two or three years been making some important investigations as to whether Manitoba wheat can be satisfactorily acclimatised in this colony. These researches have now proceeded far enough for him to reply in the affirmative. In the May number of the "Agricultural Gazette" just issued Mr. Guthrie gives the results of his inquiries. After pointing out the disparity in the prices of local and Manitoba flour as quoted in the commercial columns of the press, which show that the imported article realises about £3 per ton more than the local product, Mr. Guthrie says that in the mill these Fife wheats, to which class the Manitoba and Duluth grain belongs, differ from the soft wheats in producing a flour of superior strength or water-absorbing capacity. This is the same as saying that a larger amount of bread of better quality is obtainable from the same weight of flour, which being also richer in gluten is a more nutritious loaf is produced. In colour the flour is usually lower than that of the flour from soft wheats, but this colour is susceptible of improvement when grown locally. The grain itself requires somewhat different handling at the mill, which is no doubt the reason why most local millers prefer to buy the flour in preference to the grain, the flour being bought to mix with locally-milled flour to improve its strength. Having given the actual results of the analysis of some locally-grown Manitoba wheats, which were produced in one instance for four consecutive seasons, Mr. Guthrie thus sums up his investigations:—

The question, therefore, of the suitability of the climate or soil in some districts of New South Wales for growing Duluth wheat is in my opinion finally answered. No better milling wheats are conceivable than the Armidale and Goulburn samples (the Armidale especially). The yield is also entirely satisfactory. The grain grown in Goulburn and Armidale is a considerable improvement as a milling wheat on the imported grain, whilst at the same time retaining all its strong flour characteristics. Although I consider that the question of its adaptability to some parts of New South Wales is settled in the affirmative, I do not therefore recommend its production to the exclusion of the familiar varieties. I believe in the future it will be extensively grown, but at present millers prefer to pay £3 a ton more for the flour than to purchase the grain, which would involve slight modifications in the method of milling. If, however, they are assured of a regular and sufficient supply of locally grown Manitoba wheat at the ordinary rates, it cannot be long before they will take advantage of the opportunity. It must be remembered that the colder and the coastal districts, where wheat-growing has been discontinued owing to the unsuitability of the climate for the soft wheats, are just the districts more particularly suited to the cultivation of Manitoba grain.

Too much stress cannot be laid on the importance of the above conclusions. There is one point, however, that Mr. Guthrie appears to have overlooked, and that is that Manitoba flour is a "patent." Local millers do not produce "patent" flours owing to there being no demand for the lower grades. Were Manitoba milled in the same way as is the local wheat the resultant flour would not bring £3 per ton above the product of local wheat. This, and not that which Mr. Guthrie suggests, is the chief reason of the manufactured product receiving the preference of millers over the raw article. There are, however, millers in Sydney who are willing to pay 3d to 6d per bushel more for locally grown Manitoba wheat than for the ordinary varieties.

The Pacifique sailed yesterday for Noumea with 3096 bags of wheat and 605 bags of flour.

A shipment of 714 bushels of wheat and 255 tons of flour has been despatched from South Australia to St. Helena to be consumed by the Boer prisoners there.

The Victorian Railway Commissioner (Mr. Mathieson) is about to visit the United States to inquire into the elevator system of handling grain, and to ascertain whether its adoption is feasible under Australian conditions.

IMPORT MARKET.

A moderate degree of activity prevailed in the import market to-day. Prices generally saw but few changes. Tea moved off steadily, there being more inquiries than actual business. Dried fruits had a greater amount of attention, especially Mildura apricots and lexias, large parcels of which have changed hands at full rates. Currants were wanted at a concession on market rates. Eastern produce sold freely in distributing parcels, Japan rice and peppers being a shade weaker owing to a downward trend being advised by cable from the markets of supply. Rum was well held after the activity earlier in the week, but no further sales of note were advised. Metals moved off quietly, wire being offered at rates calculated to induce business. Jute goods were steady throughout. Kerosene sold freely when concessions in prices were allowed; at maintained rates it was dull.

Tea.—There was a good inquiry in this market with fair sales. Twenty chests of fine Indian fannings went at 7½d; 30 half-chests of Ceylon broken pekoes, 7½d; and 70 ditto, 8½d to 10d.

Messrs. H. W. Carey and Co. will offer to-morrow (Friday), at the Exchange saleroom, 400 packages of Ceylon, 250 Indian, and 1900 China teas, under instructions from Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co. and other importers.

Sugar.—Steady business was done at late market rates throughout.

Groceries.—Candles were in good demand, D.R.J.'s being firm at 5½d. Ten tons of Liverpool coarse salt sold at 31s; 100 boxes of Grave's cornflour moved off at 2¼d.

Dried Fruits.—Currants were in request at anything below 3½d, but most holders were firm on that figure. 100 boxes of dates moved off to arrive at 2d. 670 boxes of apricots sold at 8d for D grade (in bond) and 8½d for S grade; 1½d per lb. more was asked for fruit dried on this side of the Murray, duty free. The Mildura Trust is reported to have oversold, and is having difficulty in executing orders in hand. Mildura peaches, D grade, sold at 7½d, and S grade at 8d, for fruit dried in this colony. Mildura lexias had attention, browns at 4½d, and extra browns at 4¾d, in wholesale parcels. For distributing lots ½d more was asked. American apples went at 6½d; peaches, 7½d; pears, 8½d; and prunes, 5½d.

Eastern Produce.—Good orders came forward from the country, the city trade being steady. No large parcels of Japan rice changed hands, but there were fair trade sales at £14 to £14 10s. White rice had a little more inquiry for the islands at £9 10s to £10, sales covering between 15 and 20 tons being effected. The imports of rice from the two leading sources of supply during April were:—From Japan 3200 bags, and from India 800 bags. In addition over 5000 bags and some mats were received by Chinese importers from China, and smaller quantities from Victoria and Queensland. Sagos and tapiocas were a trifle easier owing to lower quotations being received from producing centres. Seed sold at £16, and medium pearl and flaked £17 10s. Peppers were also somewhat lower for a similar reason, whole black selling at 7½d to 7¾d, and whole white at 10½d to 10¾d. Coffees had some attention in 5cwt. and ½ ton lots. Ceylon plantation at 13d to 13½d, and American at 8d to 11d. Good sales of linseed were reported at £14. Rape seed went at £13 10s, and hemp seed at £20 to £21. Canary seed was in better request, parcels selling at £12 10s to £13. Nutmegs were slow of sale at 1s 5d to 1s 8d, mace 1s 9d to 2s, cloves 6d, pimento 5½d, and carraways 3½d.

Liquors.—Lowndes's rum was still well held at 3s 9d to 3s 10d, according to size of parcel. Most holders have now only sufficient for their regular customers, and are not therefore anxious sellers. The bonded stock of rum in London on February 28 totalled 7,056,000 gallons, against 7,618,000 gallons on the same date in 1899. The deliveries during the two periods were 542,046 and 403,359 gallons, and the exports 87,060 and 78,960 gallons respectively. The imports, however, were larger, being 500,307 gallons, against 242,447 gallons last year. Hennessy's brandy was quoted at 34s for one-star and 45s 6d for three-star. Stocks were in few hands. Key gin remained at 10s 9d for 15-bottle and 11s 6d for 16's. Dewar's whisky moved off in trade parcels, while Krug champagne and V.D. clarets were also in request.

Metals.—Business was rather quiet in this department. Upwards of 25 tons of barbed wire went at £13 15s. Small lots of American fencing wire sold at £10 10s for No. 8, and £11 10s for No. 10; No. 8 galvanised wire went at £13 15s. Other lines were generally quiet and unaltered.

Jute Goods.—This market was without change. Woolpacks continued to sell in consumers' parcels at 2s for 11¼lb. and 2s 2d for 12lb. Cornsacks went in small lots at 5s 6d. Branbags were quoted at 4s 1½d to 4s 2d.

Oils.—5000 cases of kerosene changed hands at market rates. For moderate-sized parcels 9½d to 9¾d delivered were the prices asked. Despite the lower f.o.b. prices for kerosene recently cabled from New York, the production of the crude oil during February showed a substantial increase, and the deliveries were larger. The question is now being discussed in America as to whether the maximum of production has been reached, as the increase in the price of the crude oil has not had the expected effect of increasing the output. It certainly stimulated the efforts being made in that direction, and many new wells were opened up. The total production during February was 3,765,270 barrels, or a decrease of 511,580 barrels compared with the outturn of the previous month. The total stock in the possession of the pipe lines amounted to 23,543,948 barrels, a shrinkage during the month of 206,231 barrels. Locally other oils were unchanged, linseed oil and white lead being very firmly held.

The customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £6666. The principal items were:—

Spirits, £3112; wine, £41; ale, porter, and beer, £73; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £632; tea, £193; sugar and molasses, £209; opium, £47; dried and candied fruits, £218; preserves, £10; harbour and light rates, £31; pilotage, £25; harbour dues, £18; colonial distilled spirits, £114; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £1012; excise on beer, £309. Total, £6666.

EXPORT MARKET.

London Tallow Sales.—At Wednesday's auction of Australasian tallow at the Baltic Rooms the offerings were fairly large, and seemingly prices were only maintained at the expense of withdrawals. Prices were unchanged. Closing prices are:—Fine mutton at 30s, medium ditto at 28s, fine beef at 28s 6d, medium ditto at 27s 6d per cwt. The quantities offered and sold and the prices for medium qualities at late sales were:—

	Offered. Casks.	Sold. Casks.	Med. Mutton. Per cwt.	Med. Beef. Per cwt.
Feb. 7	875	875	28s 6d	28s 0d
Feb. 14	1,125	1,100	28s 0d	28s 0d
Feb. 21	835	835	28s 6d	28s d
Feb. 28	1,850	1,100	29s 6d	28s 6d
March 7	512	195	29s 6d	28s 6d
March 14	543	64	29s 6d	28s 6d
March 21	1,050	41	29s 0d	28s 0d
April 4	1,625	300	28s 6d	27s 6d
April 11	775	257	28s 0d	27s 6d
April 25	2,040	1,575	28s 0d	27s 6d
May 2	1,525	249	28s 0d	27s 6d

South Australian Wine Exports.—The production of wine in South Australia during 1899 was 1,342,909gal., of which 497,000gal. were exported. The yield showed an increase of 78,952gal. over 1898, and the shipments 72,000gal.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day 107 bales of wool were manifested to arrive by rail and 78 were received coastwise.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, May 2.

TIN STATISTICS.

—	April 30, 1899.	March 31, 1900.	April 30, 1900.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
England and Holland—Stock*	22,322	17,183	15,503
Deliveries	2,070	2,340	2,914
Straits and Australia—Afloat	2,150	2,724	1,476
Spot and Landing	6,898	6,106	4,940

* Including stocks in America and afloat.

COPPER STATISTICS.

—	April 30, 1899.	March 31, 1900.	April 30, 1900.
	Casks.	Tons.	Tons.
England and France—Supplies	16,105	25,421	27,155
Deliveries	18,074	23,771	24,312
Stock*	26,529	24,632	27,475
Advised from Australia	2,800	3,900	3,525

* Including quantity afloat from Chili and Australia.

APPLES.

The Oruba's shipment of apples arrived in good condition. There was a general advance of 2s per case. Tasmanians realised 12s to 15s, Victorian and South Australian 13s to 21s.

GRAPES AND PEARS.

Grapes and pears arrived ex Oruba in bad condition.

VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The American visible supply of wheat and flour east of the Rockies amounts to 70,764,000 bushels.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Business in wheat during the day was not of an important character. Stored lots continue to be taken at from 2s 8d to 2s 8½d, but there is no shipping demand. Flour was quiet and unchanged. There is good export demand for bran, and a sale was recorded during the day at 11½d, for pollard 1s 1d is wanted in some quarters, but most sales are making at 1s.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

The Dunedin oats market has been adversely affected by the increase in freights and uncertainty as to ability to ship purchases when required. Prime milling, 1s 9½d to 1s 10½d; best bright short feed, 1s 8½d to 1s 9½d; inferior to medium, 1s 5½d to 1s 7½d.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

On the Stock Exchange to-day Victorian 3 per cents sold at £100 7s 6d; Metropolitan Board of Works 5 per cents, 1903, £105; ditto 4½ per cents, 1906, £105; ditto 3 per cents, £101. Footscray debenture sold at £108; Commercial Bank preference, £6 13 and £6 14s; National, ordinary 78s, and preference, ex div., £11 6s; Bank of New South Wales, £43; Victoria, ordinary 67s; Australian Deposit and Mortgage preference, 36s and 40s; Shamrock Brewery, 12s 6d; National Trustee, 10s; Trustees, Executors, 23s; Melbourne Trams, 15s, 14s 10½d; County of Bourke Building Society, 15s 6d; Melbourne Hydraulic, 17s; Mutual Store, 26s.

Wheat, quiet, 2s 9d to 2s 9½d; bran, 1s; pollard, 1s 1d; medium to good malting sold 2s 6d to 3s 3d. Algerian oats, quiet, 2s 2d to 2s 5½d. Maize, 2s 6d to 2s 6½d. Chaff, 32s 6d to 55s. Warrnambool potatoes, 40s. Onions, firm, 50s. Low yellow sugar sold £19. Business in tea covers 100 chests Ceylon 5½d to 8d; 50 half-chests Panyong, 6½d; 100 half-chests Kooloo, 7½d. Patras currants, 5½d. 100 bales cornsacks sold to arrive. Branbags, 3s 10d to 3s 10½d. Fair business was done in tinplates. 500 casks English cement were sold.

The Loura sailed yesterday for Sydney with 90 bags of oats and barley, 200 cases of dried fruits, 25 bags of dried onions, 324 bales of chaff, 5 bags of oatmeal, 50 bags of flour, 20 cases of cheese, 60 cases of jam, and 47 cases of fruit. The Elingamite sailed for Sydney with 1577 bags and 303 bales of chaff, 238 bales of hay, 490 bags of onions, and for Newcastle 40 bags of onions. The Anna Hamsen sailed for Sydney with 3920 bags of flour, 212 bales of hay, 1000 bags of chaff, and 500 cases of fruit pulp.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Thursday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

A fair amount of business was transacted in general produce to-day. Owing to the small deliveries by rail as compared with the heavy arrivals a few days ago the markets were more buoyant in tone. Mill offal was somewhat excited, prices being firmer on account of the export orders on the market from the other colonies. Some holders were not prepared to make sales even at 9d per bushel. The potato market eased to the extent of 2s 6d per ton without leading to any material increase in the demand. No onions were on hand. The fresh supplies due by Friday are anxiously awaited. Maize continued in good demand, the market being firm and stocks on the spot very small. Oats were plentiful and dull of sale up to 2s 5d per bushel. Chickwheat moved pretty freely, while barley and peas also had a little attention. The sale for chaff was brisk up to £3 15s for choice green samples. A moderate turnover was done in all other forage lines. In dairy produce a steady business was passing in all lines. New-laid eggs were cheaper and in request at 1s 10d. Prices of other items underwent no quotable change.

Wholesale quotations were:—

FEED-GRAIN MARKET.

Oats.—Firm. New Zealand best feed quoted at 2s 4½d to 2s 5d, other sorts to 2s 4d; Tasmanian, 2s 2d to 2s 4d; local, 1s 10d to 2s 2d per bushel.

Maize.—Prime, 2s 7d; other qualities, 2s 6d per bushel.

Peas.—Blue, 3s 3d; grey, to 2s 9d per bushel.

Barley.—Cape, choice, 2s 4d to 2s 6d; feed, 2s per bushel; English feed, 2s 3d to 2s 6d per bushel.

Chickwheat.—To 2s 3½d; choice full grain, 2s 4d to 2s 5d; special lots, 2s 6d; New Zealand, to 2s 5d per bushel.

FORAGE MARKET.

Straw.—Local: Bundle, £2 5s to £2 10s; derrick-pressed, £2 10s. Imported: £2 15s per ton.

Hay.—Local oaten in bundles, prime rack, £3 10s to £4; medium, £3 to £3 5s; inferior sorts, to £2 12s 6d; imported, £3 17s 6d to £4 per ton.

Lucerne.—Prime, £3; railway, prime, £3 to £3 7s 6d; medium, £2 10s to £2 17s 6d per ton.

Chaff.—Local: Prime, £3 5s to £3 7s 6d; extra green, £3 10s to £3 15s; medium, £2 15s to £2 2s 6d; inferior and dusty, £2 15s per ton.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Bran was quoted at 9d to 9½d, and pollard at 9d to 9½d per bushel.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Best factory, 10d; second quality, 8½d to 9d; dairy, 7½d to 8d per lb.

Bacon and Hams.—Hand-cured, prime, 6d, second-class, 5½d; flitches, 5d to 5½d; middles, 5½d to 7d; mild cured, 6½d; farmers' lots, 5d; flitches, 5½d; Pineapple flitches 5½d, middles 7½d; Bodalla sides, 5½d, flitches 6d, and middles 7½d; hams, 9d; local hams choice, cloth, 9d; others, 7½d; Pineapple, 9d; New Zealand, 9½d; English, 8d; small weights, 9½d per lb.

Cheese.—Choice loaf, 6d; medium 5½d, large medium 4½d, choice 5½d, special brands 6d; New Zealand, medium 5½d to 6d; Bodalla, 6d per lb.

Poultry.—Fowls, to 2s 3d, prime, 2s 9d; prime heavy young roosters, 3s to 3s 6d; English river ducks, 2s to 3s; locally reared, 3s to 3s 6d; Muscovy ducks, 2s 6d to 3s 6d, drakes, choice, 4s to 4s 6d; geese, prime young, 4s to 4s 6d, locally reared 5s 6d to 6s; turkeys, gobblers (old), 8s to 10s, (young) 4s 6d to 6s 6d; hens, 4s to 5s per pair.

Eggs.—North, 1s 3d to 1s 4d; South, 1s 5d to 1s 6d; new laid, 1s 10d to 1s 11d per dozen.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian Circulars, choice £2 15s to £2 17s 6d; medium, £2 12s 6d; inferior, £2 7s 6d per ton.

WOOD MARKET.

Fair supply. Good demand. Foot-wood, best 12s to 14s; medium, 8s to 10s; rough, 7s to 8s 6d; bakers' split, best 9s to 10s; second quality 7s 3d to 8s; large dry, 9s to 10s 6d; large green, 7s to 8s; billets, good box, 9s to 10s; bundled, good, 10s to 12s; second quality, 8s to 9s.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Lard.—Finely rendered, in bladders, 4d to 4½d; special lots, 5d; bulk, 3d to 3½d per lb.

Onions.—Market bare.

Game.—Auction prices. Hares, 1s to 1s 6d per pair; rabbits, 7s to 8s per dozen pairs. Sussex-street prices; Choice rabbits, 8s to 9s per dozen pair.

Honey.—Plentiful. Inferior, 1½d to 1¾d, good, 1¾d to 2d, Choice, 2½d to 2¾d per lb.

Turnips.—Tasmanian, £2 10s per ton.

REDFERN SALE.

At the Redfern market this morning a moderate supply of produce was submitted at auction. There was a good attendance of buyers, who operated freely in most lines. The inquiry for chaff was brisk at prices much the same as those ruling on the previous day. Both bran and pollard sold at 9d—an advance of ½d on yesterday's rates. Oaten hay was full of sale, and the same may be said of oats. Lucerne hay and straw moved freely at late quotations.

Appended are the proportions of the various descriptions of produce actually submitted at to-day's sale:—Chaff, 22 trucks; lucerne, 4; oaten hay, 4; bran, 2; oats, 2; straw, 1; and pumpkins, 2.

Among the consignees were:—Messrs. R. Hall and Son, Farmers' Co-operative Company, Shepherd, Harvey, and Walker, Dent and Perry, J. Bridge, J. W. Gray and Co., Ellis and Co., G. Wells and Matthews, H. M. Suttor and Co., H. Prescott and Co., F. Chapman and Co., S. B. Bond, H. Little and Co., Farmers and Settlers' Association, and Heaton Brothers.

Supplies were disposed of as follows:—

Chaff.—From Eason, Millthorpe, (truck No. 7060) 3s 7d; B.B. and Co., (4078) 3s 6d, (228) passed; Gleeson, (6720) passed; Capps, (2125) 3s 4d; Ewin, Blayney, (2504) 3s 6d; W. Stonestreet, Blayney, (3835) 3s 9d; P. Mooney, Webb's siding, (9098) 2s 7d; Healey, Glen Innes, (3432) 3s 5d, (3824) 3s 1d, (2128) 3s; Fielding, (2441) 2s 9d; Bolton, (4768) 2s 7d; Quinlan, Cootamundra, (7058) 3s 7d; Vickers, Kings Vale, (2879) 2s 9d; Hill, Queanbeyan, (1426) 2s 9d; Hillier, Wallendbeen, (7381) 1s 7d; Brown, Wagga, (326) 2s 9d; Town Estate, Mary Vale, (4480) and (4509) 3s 8d; Webb, Jindale, (245) 3s 1d; L. Matthews, Eulanago, (5925) 3s 8d per cwt.

Oaten Hay.—From W. Jones, Newbridge, (4481) passed; Day, Campbelltown, (4818) passed; Beacroft, Penrith, (8341) 2s 1d; E. Hamer, Perth, (7068) passed.

Lucerne.—From Standen, Morpeth, (730) 2s 3d; Linnane, Perth, (5297) 2s 3d and 2s 4d; Kirkwood, West Maitland, (3094) 2s 11d; M'Alister, Wellington, (6310) 2s 8d per cwt.

Bran.—From Chicken, Corowa, (781) passed, pollard passed; Milling Co., Forbes, (5918) 9d, and pollard 9d per bushel.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed: From S. Salter, Glen Innes, (3280) 2s 4d, and rye straw 2s 11d per cwt.

Oats.—From Humphries, Tarana, (5450) passed; J. M. Bones, Uralla, (4477) passed.

Pumpkins.—From S. Cox, Mulgrave, (3542) 1s 7d; V. Shields, Richmond, (2001) 11d per dozen.

FRUIT MARKET.

Owing to this being an "off day," business in the fruit trade at the Exhibition Building was rather quiet this morning. As far as prices were concerned no changes of importance occurred.

Current quotations were:—

Apples.—Local: Dessert, good 4s 6d to 5s; choice, 6s to 7s; Five Crowns, choice, 8s to 11s per gincase. Tasmanian Sturmers, 4s to 5s; scarlets, choice 6s to 7s 6d, special brands 8s to 8s 6d, others 5s to 6s; Alexanders, 5s to 7s; Stone Pippings, 4s 6d to 5s; Alpinstones, 4s to 4s 6d; Adam's Permains, 4s 6d to 5s; Fameuse, 6s to 7s 6d; Crow Eggs, 4s to 5s; French Crabs, 5s to 6s 6d per case.

Bananas.—Queensland, 6d to 2s 6d per bunch, 6s per case; Fiji, 6d to 2s per bunch, 6s 6d to 7s per case.

Grapes.—Adelaide: Best available, 4s to 4s 6d, others from 2s 6d; local muscatels, 8s to 9s per case.

Pines.—7s to 8s, choice coloured 9s per case.

Tomatoes.—1s 6d to 2s 6d, choice 3s to 4s per half-case.

Plums.—Tasmanian, Sydney lates, 3s to 4s per quarter-case.

Persimmons.—Small to 1s, good 2s 6d, choice 3s to 4s per half-case.

Quinces.—3s to 5s per gincase.

Pomegranates.—5s to 7s per gincase.

Passionfruit.—Choice 7s to 7s 6d, others 3s to 6s per half-case.

Lemons.—Rough, 1s to 2s 6d; good, 3s to 4s; choice coloured, 4s 6d to 5s per gincase; Italian, 9s per case of 150.

Mandarins.—Second crop, small, 5s to 6s; good, 8s to 10s; choice, 10s to 14s per gincase; extra choice, 7s to 8s per half-case.

Oranges.—Second crop, local, small, to 5s, good 6s to 7s 6d; prime, 8s to 10s; main crop, 2s to 4s per gincase.

Pears.—Victorian: Dessert, 8s to 9s; choice, 11s to 12s. Tasmanian: Orange Bergamot, 4s to 7s per half-case; Winter Nelis, 5s to 7s; Winter Cole, choice 7s to 8s, second-class 5s to 6s per case.

VEGETABLE MARKET.

Good supplies were under offer at the Belmore Markets this morning. The inquiry for all lines was brisk, the most important change in prices being a fall in peas.

Prices were as follows:—Cabbages, inferior 6d to 1s, good 1s 6d to 2s, choice 2s 6d, extra large 2s 9d to 3s per dozen; peas, local, 4s per bushel; French beans, 1s to 1s 3d, haricot 6s per bushel; horseradish, 8s to 9s; asparagus, 8s to 9s; beetroot, 8d; all herbs, 8d; plain spinach, 8d. English ls; eschalots, 10d to 1s; leeks, 1s to 1s 3d; white turnips, 9d to 1s; parsnips, 1s 3d; rhubarb, 1s to 2s; celery, soup 1s, table 2s to 2s 6d; radishes, 4d to 6d; carrots, 6d to 9d; parsley, 1s; lettuce, 6d to 8d; green stuff, 4d; horse carrots, 4d per dozen bunches; chillies, 3s to 4s per bushel; watercress, 1s 6d to 2s per dozen bunches; garlic, 2d to 3d per lb.; tomatoes, local, European 5s per quarter-case; vegetable marrows, 1s 6d to 2s; pumpkins, local, 2s 6d to 3s 6d, extra large 4s to 5s; custard marrows, 1s per dozen; kidney potatoes, 11s per cwt.

FAT STOCK SALES.

HOMEBUSH YARDS.—Thursday.

SHEEP.

About 22,850 sheep and lambs penned at to-day's sales. The quality of the sheep generally was an improvement on the recent yardings, and included several lots of prime and heavy merinos, also a good representation of crossbreds. There was a good attendance of buyers, and as they all were prepared to operate freely the market opened to strong competition, all qualities selling well at a high range of values, which was sustained throughout, the market closing strong. Quotations: Prime and heavy crossbred wethers, 1s to 18s; good crossbred wethers, 14s to 15s, medium crossbred wethers, 11s 6d to 12s 6d; prime merino wethers 16s to 17s 6d, extra prime 19s; good merino wethers, 13s to 14s; medium merino wethers, 10s 6d to 11s 6d; inferior from 7s; prime crossbred ewes, 14s 6d to 15s 6d, extra prime 16s to 17s; good crossbred ewes, 12s 6d to 13s 6d; medium crossbred ewes, 10s 6d to 11s 6d; inferior from 8s; prime merino ewes, 12s 6d to 13s; extra prime merino ewes to 14s 9d; good merino ewes, 11s to 12s; medium merino ewes, 9s 6d to 10s 6d; inferior from 8s. Total number of sheep and lambs sold during April, 121,880. Sales:—

Joseph Leeds and Co.—117 wethers for W. Wallace at 15s 6d, 19 at 14s 3d, 7 crossbred wethers at 14s, 1 crossbred ewe at 14s, 1 crossbred stag at 4s; 2 crossbred ewes for J. J. Grant at 15s 6d, 22 wethers at 15s 5d, 43 at 1s 11d; 61 wethers for T. M'Kibben at 13s 1d, 1 ewe at 13s 4d, 4 crossbred wethers at 13s 3d; 33 crossbred ewes for A. J. M'Kenzie at 12s 7d, 6 at 12s 2d, 2 crossbred wethers at 12s, 6 wethers at 11s; 2 wethers for W. F. Toole at 14s, 22 crossbred wethers at 12s, 1 crossbred ram at 12s 6d, 24 ewes at 8s 1d, 3 crossbred ewes at 9s 1d.

Weaver and Perry.—56 wethers for W. Reynolds and Son at 16s 4d, 131 at 15s 1d; 59 wethers for Southern agents at 14s 6d, 154 at 11s 11d; 449 wethers for H. Rofe at 13s 9d to 14s, 50 at 12s 3d; 437 wethers for H. E. Bigg at 11s 9d, 55 at 10s 9d; 47 wethers for A. Bowen at 11s 11d, 101 ewes at 11s, 37 at 9s 6d; 89 crossbred wethers for H. Rofe at 14s 6d, 106 at 13s 1d, 18 at 11s 6d; 38 wethers for G. Loder at 13s.

Maiden Brothers.—141 wethers for J. J. Garry at 19s to 19s 1d, 47 at 16s 10d; 50 crossbred wethers for J. Ollanders at 18s 1d, 12 at 16s 4d, 22 ewes at 16s 4d; 1 crossbred wether for T. Quigley at 22s, 30 crossbred wethers at 15s 5d, 17 wethers at 12s, 21 ewes at 12s, 11 crossbred ewes at 15s 1d, 10 crossbred wethers at 15s 1d; 93 wethers for Matthews and Clements at 14s, 6 at 15s, 1 ram at 1s; 76 wethers for E. J. Allen at 15s 11d, 23 at 12s 6d, 1 (lame) at 10s 7d, 220 wethers for R. G. Maiden and Co. at 12s, 53 at 11s 5d, 9 crossbreds at 15s; 102 crossbred wethers for Anderson Brothers at 14s 11d, 42 at 12s 6d, 54 at 13s 1d, 1 ram at 13s 9d, 23 ewes at 12s, 1 at 13s; 190 crossbred ewes for Southern agents at 14s 4d to 14s 8d, 124 at 13s, 24 at 15s 4d, 2 crossbred wethers at 15s 4d, 69 crossbred ewes at 13s 5d, 147 ewes at 12s 11d, 122 at 11s 6d; 65 crossbred ewes for T. Gordon at 16s 8d, 53 at 13s 7d; 60 crossbred wethers for J. G. Glasson at 15s 6d, 27 at 12s 6d, 2 wethers at 13s 4d, 1 ewe at 13s 4d; 90 wethers for S. Williams at 13s 10d to 13s 11d, 12 at 12s 1d.

H. M. Suttor and Co.—20 crossbred ewes for G. H. Greene at 17s 1d, 26 at 15s 10d, 6 at 15s 1d.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—894 wethers for P. H. Osborne at 14s 11d to 15s; 485 wethers for T. Cook and Co. at 13s, 254 at 14s 4d to 14s 7d, 365 ewes at 12s 2d, 121 crossbred wethers at 17s 1d, 85 at 15s 5d, 87 crossbred ewes at 14s 5d to 15s 9d, 130 at 13s 2d; 591 wethers for H. Carr at 14s 9d to 15s; 509 wethers for executors W. R. Hepburn at 10s 7d to 10s 8d; 257 wethers for T. Tyson at 12s 2d, 337 at 1s 9d to 10s, 4 crossbred wethers at 17s; 132 wethers for Southern agents at 10s 4d, 209 ewes at 9s 8d, 114 wethers at 7s 4d; 431 wethers for W. Bracker at 13s 3d, 69 ewes at 11s 10d, 2 crossbred ewes at 12s 3d, 46 wethers at 10s 1d; 92 wethers for B. Haydon at 13s 5d, 2 crossbred wethers at 14s 6d; 125 ewes for G. M. Finlay at 10s 7d, 34 wethers at 13s 5d, 9 crossbred wethers and ewes at 14s 3d, 19 stags at 13s; 1027 wethers for A.A. Company at 15s 9d; 1192 wethers for Fletcher Brothers at 11s 4d to 12s 6d, 31 at 11s 9d, 275 at 14s 3d; 155 wethers for J. J. Devereaux at 14s 8d to 14s 9d, 45 at 12s 11d; 72 crossbred wethers and ewes for D. M'Donald at 14s 3d; 20 crossbred wethers for J. A. Badgery at 16s 9d, 32 at 15s; 99 wethers for L. Webb at 14s 7d; 256 wethers for executors W. J. Cordeaux at 13s, 43 at 11s 9d; 9 crossbred wethers for R. Briant at 20s, 15 at 18s 6d, 9 crossbred wethers and ewes at 14s 6d; 91 wethers and ewes for D. Williams and Sons at 6s, 122 wethers at 10s; 121 crossbred wethers for Mrs. Henlen at 13s 11d, 33 at 16s 1d.

Warden Harry Graves and Son.—65 wethers for E. C. Babour at 15s, 190 at 13s 9d to 13s 11d, 59 at 11s 6d to 11s 10d, 4 crossbred hoggets at 15s 7d, 1 ewe at 13s.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—154 wethers for Salting Brothers at 17s 6d to 17s 7d, 38 (stained fleeces) at 16s 7d, 56 crossbred wethers for J. J. Lynch at 16s 6d to 16s 7d, 44 at 14s 1d, 61 ewes at 11s 3d, 63 wethers at 11s; 214 crossbred wethers for H. J. Bell at 16s 1d, 69 at 14s 6d to 14s 9d; 1.3 wethers for P. Kiley at 15s 6d, 99 at 13s 11d, 55 at 12s; 54 comeback wethers for J. and A. Coles at 15s 4d, 139 wethers at 14s; 59 crossbred wethers for D. and J. Leahy at 15s 3d, 39 at 13s 10d; 59 crossbred wethers for J. W. Blewitt at 14s 10d to 15s 1d, 73 at 14s 1d, 47 crossbred ewes at 13s 5d; 90 crossbred ewes for A. W. Holt at 14s 4d; 56 wethers for T. Fitzpatrick at 15s 2d to 15s 3d, 6 ewes at 12s 7d; 102 wethers for A. J. M'Innes at 13s 8d; 149 ewes for W. J. Mackay at 12s 3d to 13s 4d; 40 wethers for G. and J. Price at 11s 6d, 160 at 10s 11d, 42 crossbreds at 10s 1d; 59 wethers for J. F. Foster at 11s 6d to 11s 7d, 132 at 10s 11d; 190 ewes for V. J. Dowling at 11s 1d.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—163 wethers for W. T. Cadell at 17s to 17s 6d, 394 at 15s 6d, 479 at 10s 9d; 5 crossbred wethers for C. Hazell at 15s, 40 at 14s 7d, 126 wethers at 14s, 3 ewes at 14s, 57 crossbred ewes at 13s 6d; 3 crossbred wethers for F. Blaxland at 13s 9d, 90 wethers at 13s 9d, 212 at 12s 8d; 1 stag for N. Wilson at 13s 5d, 43 crossbred ewes at 13s 1d, 48 at 11s 11d, 3 wethers at 11s 11d; 57 wethers for Western agents at 12s 4d to 12s 5d, 53 ewes at 11s 6d to 11s 11d, 1 wether at 10s 3d; 4 crossbred ewes for J. Feilan at 10s 10d, 48 wethers at 10s 7d to 10s 10d; 3 wethers for W. Nevell at 10s 9d, 53 ewes at 9s 1d; 57 crossbred wethers for W. M'Kenzie at 10s 1d, 42 ewes at 8s 10d.

J. C. Young and Co.—22 crossbred wethers for Southern agents at 18s 2d, 2 crossbred ewes at 18s 2d, 93 merino wethers at 14s 9d, 29 ewes at 12s 8d, 6 ewes at 14s 9d; 1 crossbred wether for Messrs. Marrion Brothers at 16s 6d, 7 crossbred wethers at 15s 10d, 1 wool wether at 14s 6d, 148 merino wethers at 12s 9d, 23 wethers at 12s, 10 ewes at 11s 3d, 80 wethers at 11s 1d; 1 crossbred wether for M. Molloy at 17s 6d, 44 merino wethers at 15s 6d, 28 merino wethers at 12s 10d, 8 crossbreds at 14s 8d; 40 wethers for executors of H. Molloy at 15s, 40 wethers at 12s 7d, 1 crossbred ewe at 13s; 474 wethers for Western agents from 10s 7d to 10s 9d; 99 wethers for C. Boyd at 12s 6d, 23 ewes at 11s 4d, 28 wethers at 10s 7d; 764 wethers for E. C. Blomfield from 11s 3d to 11s 9d, 233 wethers at 9s.

LAMBS.

Lambs forward in moderate supply, comprising a fair number of good quality; competition lively, and prices firm at late rates. Prime lambs, 11s 6d to 12s 6d, extra prime to 14s 6d to 15s; good lambs, 9s 6d to 10s 6d; medium lambs, 7s 6d to 8s 6d.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—61 lambs for A. S. Tom at 11s 4d to 11s 5d, 34 at 10s; 1 lamb for W. T. Toole at 11s 4d, 32 at 10s 7d, 31 at 9s 11d; 28 lambs for A. J. M'Kenzie at 12s 8d, 30 at 11s 8d to 12s 9d; 23 lambs for T. M'Kibben at 11s 11d, 10 at 10s 11d, 15 at 11s 4d; 5 lambs for J. Grant at 14s, 11 at 12s 7d, 20 at 11s 4d to 11s 5d, 1 at 6s; 2 lambs for W. Wallace at 10s 9d.

Weaver and Perry.—12 lambs for A. Bowen at 8s 9d; 12 lambs for G. Loder at 12s, 36 at 10s 1d to 10s 8d, 21 at 9s 5d, 1 at 6s 1d; 21 lambs for W. Reynolds and Son at 10s 1d.

Maiden Brothers.—20 lambs for T. Gordon at 13s, 42 at 11s 10d to 12s 6d; 1 lamb for J. H. Glasson at 10s; 87 lambs for Anderson Brothers at 11s 5d, 2 at 11s, 7 hoggets at 12s, 78 at 10s 10d to 11s, 35 at 9s 7d, 9 lambs at 9s 9d; 1 lamb for S. Williams at 9s.

H. M. Suttor and Co.—53 lambs for Hon. G. H. Greene at 13s 7d, 50 at 12s 8d, 16 at 12s 2d, 11 at 11s 7d, 14 at 11s 8d.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—10 crossbred lambs for H. Bryant at 13s 3d, 10 at 11s 3d; 11 crossbred lambs for J. A. Badgery at 12s, 31 crossbred hoggets at 11s 11d; 5 crossbred lambs for D. MacDonald at 12s 3d, 5 at 11s 8d; 13 lambs at 11s 5d, 9 at 7s 3d; 9 lambs for G. M'Finlay at 10s 7d, 1 crossbred lamb at 9s 7d, 1 lamb at 8s 11d; 14 crossbred lambs and hoggets for T. Tyser at 10s 9d, 112 crossbred lambs at 9s 5d, 122 at 7s 10d to 8s 1d, 26 at 5s 10d; 41 ram lambs for S. agents at 9s 6d, 2 lambs at 8s.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—25 crossbred lambs for H. J. Bell at 15s 4d; 26 lambs for A. J. M'Innes at 13s, 88 at 12s 2d, 13 at 11s 9d; 57 lambs for J. J. Lynch at 12s 10d, 18 at 11s 1d; 38 for T. Fitzpatrick at 13s 1d; 2 lambs for W. J. Mackay at 14s 8d, 30 at 11s 6d, 38 at 10s 9d.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—11 lambs for C. Hazell at 12s 9d, 14 at 11s; 15 lambs for W. Nevell at 11s 2d, 41 at 9s 3d; 25 lambs for Western agents at 11s, 5b at 9s 8d; 7 lambs for N. Wilson at 10s 6d; 10 lambs for J. Feilan at 8s 7d, 48 at 7s 9d, 7 lambs for W. M'Kenzie at 8s 2d.

J. C. Young and Co.—43 lambs for Marrion Brothers at 11s 11d, 47 at 13s 10d; 60 lambs for Southern agents at 11s 3d, 50 at 10s 11d to 11s; 1 lamb for C. Boyd at 14s 6d, 6 at 9s 9d, 44 at 8s 4d; 20 lambs for executors H. Molloy at 11s 7d; 16 lambs for M. Molloy at 11s 1d, 4 at 10s 6d; 21 lambs for Western agents at 11s 2d; 20 lambs for E. C. Blomfield at 9s 5d.

CATTLE.

Only 801 yarded, mainly from the Northern districts, consisting principally of good quality beef; cows in fair proportion; prime and heavy bullocks none too plentiful. As the yardings were well within requirements competition was active and prices firm at an advance on Monday's rates of about 10s per head, and in some lots of 15s per head. Quotations: Yards of prime and heavy bullocks, £8 5s to £9; yards of extra and weighty bullocks to £9 10s, odd beasts to £10 2s; yards of prime medium weight bullocks, £7 to £7 15s; yards of prime light-weight bullocks, £6 to £6 10s; yards of good bullocks, £5 5s to £5 15s; yards of medium and light bullocks, £4 to £4 10s; yards of prime cows, £5 5s to £5 15s; extra prime cows to £7 4s; yards of good cows, £4 5s to £4 15s; yards of medium and light cows, £2 15s to £3 10s. Prime light-weight beef may be quoted at 21s per 100lb. Total number of cattle sold during April, 9890.

J. C. Young and Co.—30 bullocks for H. Roberts to £8 5s, averaging £7 11s 2d; 22 cows and heifers for W. Bakewell to £5 7s, averaging £5 1s; 1 cow for J. A. M'Rae at £4 13s, 8 heifers to £5 9s, averaging £4 2s, 8 vealers to £2 11s, averaging £2 5s 3d; 9 bullocks and steers for E. H. Wall at £4 16s, 3 heifers at £3 14s; 2 cows for Browne Brothers at £4 12s, 1 heifer at £3 2s.

Warden Harry Graves and Son.—30 bullocks for W. O. Gilchrist to £7 9s, averaging £7 0s 6d.

Maiden Brothers.—19 bullocks for Northern agents to £8 11s, averaging £7 1s 2d, 15 cows to £5 19s, averaging £5 0s 10d, 1 stag £5 5s, 20 bullocks and steers to £4 17s, averaging £4 8s 10d, 25 cows and heifers to £5 4s, averaging £4 7s 6d; 1 cow for Southern agents at £3 5s, 3 heifers at £2 8s, 1 calf at £1 4s.

Weaver and Perry.—8 bullocks for W. Hodges to £10 1s, averaging £9 5s, 12 steers to £7 7s, averaging £6 12s 5d; 6 bullocks for Moxham Brothers at £7 1s, 4 cows at £4 5s, 4 calves at £1 9s; 2 bullocks for H. Rofe at £5 1s, 16 cows to £4 18s, averaging £4 12s 9d, 21 bulls to £4 8s, averaging £4 0s 1d; 8 bullocks for Northern agents to £4 15s, averaging £4 11s 3d, 6 cows to £4 11s, averaging £3 17s 8d; 1 cow for local owner at £4 16s.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—40 bullocks for M. Smith to £8 12s, averaging £6 4s 9d, 2 cows at £5 12s, 1 cow (injured) at £4 1s; 8 bullocks for W. Armstrong at £5 14s, 5 cows at £4 1s; 11 steers for D. Cadell to £5 15s, averaging £5 11s 4d, 1 cow at £5 3s; 22 steers for C. K. Cadell to £5 19s, averaging £4 15s 8d, 1 cow at £4 16s; 43 cows for A. Amos to £4 4s, averaging £4 11s 4d.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—33 bullocks for A. A. Company, to £9 8s, averaging £8 14s 8d; 9 bullocks for J. Davis at £8 2s, 1 bullock at £5 14s; 12 bullocks for D. Williams and sons at £5 7s; 151 cows for T. Book to £5 15s, averaging £4 15s 1d.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—30 bullocks for Southern agents to £6 16s, averaging £6 10s 4d, 18 cows to £5 19s, averaging £5 18s 3d.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—1 bullock for A. E. H. Carter at £8 14s, 1 at £5, 3 steers at £3 5s, 1 heifer at £4 3s, 8 bullocks to £4 11s, averaging £3 5s 10d; 58 bullocks for W. L. Beauchamp to £6 10s, averaging £5 14s 10d; 12 cows for J. Vider at £5 11s, 1 heifer at £4; 12 cows for W. M'Caffrey to £6 4s, averaging £4 15s 6d; 11 cows for H. Dunn at £5, 2 bulls to £5 14s, averaging £4 17s 6d; 12 cows for J. Barnard to £4 19s, averaging £4 10s 9d.

THE CITY YARDS.

Messrs. Ellis and Co. report at the City Corporation Yards and their Railway Stock Saleyards:—Milch cows, £4 to £9 5s each; fat cows, £3 8s to £5 14s. Fat calves: 14 for Warren at 18s to 49s; 15 for Payten at 26s to 42s 6d; 16 for various at 11s to 29s 6d each. Fat pigs: 12 for Hooker at 28s to 38s; 19 for Cooper at 2s 6d to 30s; 22 for Donaldson at 15s 6d to 16s 9d; 19 for Punch at 17s 6d to 48s; 15 for Johns at 29s 6d to 36s 6d each. Store pigs: 34 for Stephens at 9s 6d to 14s each.

Messrs. William Inglis and Sons report:—Milch cows: A fair number forward, quality all round good. The attendance of buyers was large and all offered met with keen competition. Best made from £9 10s to £11 10s; good, £7 10s to £8 5s; medium, £5 10s to £6 5s; inferior, £3 10s to £4 10s. We sold 50 at the above quotations, also 81 dry and fat cattle from £1 17s to £6 4s. Calves: We sold 20, Campbelltown, 14s 6d to 25s 6d; 18, South Coast, 25s to 46s; 25, St. Mary's, 14s 6d to 46s 6d; 15, Liverpool, 19s to 38s; 31, various owners, 12 6d to 39s 6d. Pigs: We sold 100, Dungog, 11s 9d to 37s; 25, Manning River, 16s to 37s 6d; 30, Wyong, 27s to 30s; 20, St. Mary's, 18s 6d to 24s 6d; 15, Liverpool, 10s to 26s; 30, suburban owners, 13s 9d to 42s 6d.

HAIR, HORNS, AND BONES.

The Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited, John Bridge and Company, Limited, Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, Hill, Clark, and Company, Pastoral Finance Association, Limited, Winchcombe, Carson, and Company, Limited, and A. P. Wyly and Company report:—

Hair, Horns, and Bones.—At yesterday's sales moderate supplies were catalogued. Hound shanks were slightly easier, but mixed brought about 2s 6d per ton more than previously. Sawn bones were easier. Other lines showed no change. Quotations:—Horsehair, best tail, 20d to 22½d per lb.; short and mixed, 15d to 18d; mane, 8d to 12d; matted, &c., 2d to 5d; cowhair, 12d to 14d; washed, 14½d to 14½d; stumps, 8d to 9½d; shanks, round, £6 15s to £7 5s per ton; flat, £4 to £4 2s 6d; mixed, £4 5s to £5; inferior, £3 12s 6d to £3 15s; sheep at £3 10s; hoofs, mixed, £2 to £3 10s; knuckles at £3 5s; sawn thighbones, £12 10s to £13 5s; shinbones, £5 15s to £6; buttons, £5 10s to £5 17s 6d; bloats at £4 15s; hidepiece, best, £10 to £10 17s 6d; interior £8 to £8 15s; dehaired, £15 to £22 10s; fleshings, £4 to £6 17s 6d; sinews, £18 to £25; horns, largest 60s to 79s per 100, large 47s 6d to 55s; medium, 35s to 39 9d, small and medium 10s to 22s 6d, tips 5s to 8s, perished from 2s; Beeswax, 12d to 13d per lb.

HUNTER RIVER FARMERS' PRODUCE SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

At the Farmers' Union sales yesterday butter made from 8d to 1s per lb.; eggs, 1s 3d to 1s 5½d per dozen; lucerne seed, 6d per lb.; sorghum seed, 2d per lb.; potatoes, 4s to 5s 4d per cwt.; onions, 8s 6d to 9s per cwt; peas, 1s to 1s 3d per peck; beans, 4½d to 6d per peck; tomatoes, 1s to 2s 6d per case; pumpkins, 1s to 2s 6d per dozen; lucerne hay, 45s to 80s per ton; oaten hay, 45s to 55s per ton; wheaten hay, 50s to 60s per ton; chaff, 2s 9d per bag; maize, 2s 9d to 3s 3d per bushel; fowls, 1s 4d to 3s 4d per pair; ducks, 2s to 3s 6d per pair; geese, 3s 6d to 4s per pair; turkeys, 9s to 9s 6d per pair; pigeons, 1s 4d to 1s 6d per pair.

BRAIDWOOD STOCK SALES.

BRAIDWOOD, Thursday.

At the auction to-day several hundred head of store cattle were yarded and realised highest prices known for many years. Medium store bullocks made £4 1s 6d; good store bullocks, £5 5s; cows, £3; steers (3 years), £3 17s; all other ages in like proportion.

MAITLAND HIDE AND SKIN SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

At the weekly sales of butchers' produce yesterday best heavy hides made from 23s 6d to 26s 6d; good, 18s to 21s; medium, 15s 6d to 16s 9d; light and inferior, 9s 3d to 13s 6d; yearlings, 3s 9d to 6s; calfskins, 9d to 2s 6d. Sheepskins: Best made from 4s 2d to 4s 7d; good, 3s 6d to 3s 10d; medium, 2s 9d to 3s 1d; light and inferior, 1s 3d to 2s 3d.

MAITLAND FAT STOCK SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

Fat stock sales were held to-day in the presence of a fair attendance of the trade. Fat cattle were offering in fairly large supplies, the bulk of the consignments consisting chiefly of cattle in poor and medium condition. The demand for prime quality was animated, and good values were realised. Prime bullocks made from £7 2s to £8 1s; good, £5 8s to £6 17s 6d; medium, £4 3s to £4 18s; light and wasted lots, £2 2s to £3 10s; cows, best, £4 1s 5d to £4 12s; good, £3 10s to £3 16s; medium and others from £2 5s. Fat calves were penned in large supplies. Demand was brisk, but values were not equal to rates ruling recently. Best vealers made 52s to 65s; good, 36s 6d to 47s; medium, 24s to 29s 6d; others from 18s 6d. Fat sheep were forward in fairly large supplies, to a good demand, and late rates were well maintained. Best crossbred wethers made 16s 3d; good, 14s 3d to 15s 6d; others from 12s 9d; ewes, best, 13s to 13s 6d; others from 12s; best merino wethers, 13s 6d to 14s 5d; good, 10s 6d to 12s 6d; others from 9s 5d; ewes, best, 10s 6d; others to 6s 3d to 10s; lambs, best, 8s 6d to 10s; others, 6s 3d to 8s. Fat and store pigs were penned in fairly large supplies, consisting chiefly of porkers and slips. Baconers were scarce, and the demand was active, with values firm. Best baconers made 32s 6d; others from 25s; prime porkers, 21s 6d to 25s; good, 16s 6d to 20s; medium, 15s to 16s 6d; stores, 5s 9d to 10s 6d; slips, 4s 6d to 6s 6d.

ALBURY FAT STOCK MARKET.

ALBURY, Thursday.

At the Albury market to-day there was a good supply of fat sheep and cattle offered to a moderate attendance of buyers. The demand was not so brisk, and prices consequently were easier, the fall being more marked in medium quality, prime sheep holding their own. About 2800 fat sheep were penned, the majority being merinos of medium quality with a few pens of heavy crossbred wethers, which made from 16s 6d to 17s 5d; best merino wethers, from 12s 9d to 13s 10d and 11s 7d to 12s 3d; medium sheep, 10s 6d to 11s; merino ewes, 8s 6d to 10s 10d; crossbred ewes and wethers, 12s 6d to 13s 10d; medium, 11s 4d to 12s; a few extra heavy, from 16s 6d to 17s 5d; best lambs, 10s 3d to 11s 3d; medium, 8s 3d to 9s; young and inferior, 6s 6d to 7s 9d. About 2500 store sheep came to hand, being chiefly merino ewes, some of which were old and in low condition, with only a small proportion of best merino ewes. The latter fetched 12s 6d to 13s 10d; aged ewes, in low condition, 4s 8d to 5s 10d; merino wethers (late shorn), 10s 10d to 11s 6d. One line of about 270 fat cattle was penned, the quality being medium to good. Nothing really prime was yarded. The demand was good, but prices were slightly lower; best bullocks, £8 5s to £9 12s 6d and £7 10s to £8; medium, £6 15s to £7; light cattle, £5 10s to £6 2s 6d; best cows, £6 17s 6d; medium, £4 15s to £5 12s 6d; light cows and heifers, £3 12s 6d to £4 5s. Some prime calves were penned, which made £2 13s to £3 18s 6d; light calves, 25s to 35s; poddies, 15s to 22s. No store cattle were forward, excepting a few small lots.

Robert Little and Co.—Hay, Chaff, Produce Auctioneers, Redfern, daily. Highest prices, immediate returns.—Advt.

Foley Brothers, Limited, Sussex-st.—Creamery Butter; Waratah, Crookwell, Candelo, Central, Kameruka Cheese.—Advt.

A SECRET.

The secret of PEAR'S SOAP is that it has no excess of alkali in it. No matter how much you may use it, you cannot roughen the skin with it.—Advt.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

The Mining market yesterday was quiet. Newcastle sold at £11, other coal stocks being without any material alteration. Amongst copper companies Girilambone fetched an improved rate, and was the only one dealt in, but Chillagoe closed lower. The firm position of Broken Hill silver shares on Wednesday was scarcely maintained. British Broken, old, at 26s 9d, was the sole representative, but there was a somewhat weaker tone in closing quotations of British Broken, B.H. Proprietary, B.H. Junction, and B.H. South. On the other hand B.H. Block 14 and North Broken closed firmer. The feature in the local gold division was the increasing favour of gold-dredging companies. At the end of the day Grassy Gully and Woodlark Island Proprietary amongst reefing ventures were firmer, whilst amongst dredging lines Braidwood Proprietary, Colombo, Shoalhaven River, and Turon River closed above Wednesday's rates. Victorian and Queensland ventures were quiet. Very few transactions were reported in Western Australian stocks, but Associated Northern Blocks, Hainault, and Hannan's Oroya fetched stronger prices, Boulder Half-mile South and Brown Hill Central also being firmer. There was no change of note in any others, the market closing with a generally steady tone.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.		
Bellambi	9/	11/
Hetton	25/	25/6
Newcastle	11/0/	11 5/
Stockton	5 6	5 10
Vale of Clwydd	5/	8/
Wallsend	24 0/	25/15/
Waratah	5/	10/
Wickham and Bullock Island	11/4½	11/9
Ditto, new	5 6	6/
Ditto, preferential, £1 pd.	24 6	—
COPPER.		
Blayney Mining, paid	6/	—
Chillagoe	27/	28 9
Girilambone	1/4	1/9
SILVER. New South Wales.		
British Broken Hill	—	26 9
Ditto, new	24 6	25/3
Broken Hill Proprietary	47/3	47 9
Block 10	6/14/	—
Block 14	29/	29 9
B. H. Junction	17/	18
Junction Nth.	—	16/
North Broken	15/6	16/
North Central	10½d	11½d
B.H. South, paid	42 6	43/
Overflow, paid	—	1/
GOLD. New South Wales.		
Avoca Reefs	1 9	2 1
Baker's Creek	4 6	6 9
Baker's Creek Consols	—	2/
Cobar Great Western	1 5	—
Grassy Gully	4 3	—
Ditto, con.	3 2	3 4½
Mt. David, pd.	2 2	2 5
Mt. Crystals	16 6	17/3
Occidental	8 3	8/9
Peak Hill, pd.	—	6 9
Sunlight	1/11	—
Woodlark Island, paid	15/	15/3
Young Australian	1 3	—
DREDGING AND SLUICING COMPANIES.		
Araluen Proprietary	20/	21/
Araluen Valley Consolidated	15/	—
Braidwood Proprietary, paid	4/	—
Broadwater Proprietary Tin, con.	6/	7 6
Clarence River, con.	8/	—
Colombo	7/	—
Ditto, con.	6/	—
Federal Centrifugal, pd.	—	7/6
Jerrickmorra, paid	2/	4/
Little River Dredging, con.	4 3	—
Macquarie, No. 1	10/	10/6
Ditto, con.	—	10/
Macquarie No. 2, pd.	—	7/6
Shoalhaven River	6 6	—
Ditto, con.	4 9	—
Shoalhaven Terraces, pd.	7/6	—
Turon River	28/	—
VICTORIA.		
Cent'l Plateau	—	2/
Hustler's Reef No. 1	7/4	—
New Birthday	5/	8/
South Star	3/	—
QUEENSLAND.		
Brilliant Extended, pd.	6 6	—
Kelly's Queen Block, paid	13	—
M'nt Morgan	5 0/	5/1 6
North Oriental and Glanmire	—	9/
No. 2 North Oriental and Glanmire	—	4 6
No. 6 North Phoenix	9d	1/2
North Smithfield	5 3	—
No. 2 North Victory	3 9	4 6
South Great Eastern No. 2	5/9	—
Ditto No. 4	—	9d
Victoria G.M. Association	2/6	3 3
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.		
Associated	5 5	5 5 9
Boulder Consols No. 1	1/	1 6
Boulder Half-mile South	8 8	9/
Boulder North Extended	—	2 6
Brookman's Boulder	—	14/3
Brown Hill Central	3 4	3 6
Chaffer's	19 3	20 6
Golden Zone	3 3	4 3
Gt. Boulder	1 10½	32 4½
Ditto Main Reef	33/	35/
Gt. Boulder Pers'ver'ce	11/19/	12 5/
Hannan's Block 45	6/	7/
Hannan's Central Extended	1/	—
Hannan's Oroya	58/	58 6
Hannan's Pride of the Valley	9d	—
Ditto, con.	—	1/6
Ivanhoe and Boulder Junction Proprietary	—	5d
Kalgurli, London register	7 5/	7 10/
Kalgurli South, London register	5 15 3	5 17/
Lake View Consols	—	14/3
Paringa Consolidated	9 3	12 3
Queensland Menzies, pd.	5/	6 6
Queen Margaret	—	15/
Queen Margaret Central	—	2 9
Queen Margaret No. 1 South	9d	1/6

The following sales were reported:—Morning—Gold: Braidwood (Shoalhaven River), contributing, 4s 3d, 4s 4d; Grassy Gully, contributing, 3s 3d; Macquarie No. 1, paid up, 10s 6d; Shoalhaven River, paid up, 6s 9d; Woodlark Island Proprietary, paid up, 15s 3d, 14s 10½d, 15s; Associated Northern Blocks, 46s 6d; Hainault, 31s 6d; Hannan's Oroya, 57s 9d. Noon—Coal: Newcastle, £11. Copper: Girilambone, 1s 6d. Silver: British Broken, old, 26s 9d. Gold: Clarence River, contributing, 9s; Associated Northern Blocks, 47s, 47s 6d; Bonnie Charlie, 10½d; Hannan's Eureka, 4d; Hannan's Oroya, 58s, 58s 3d, 58s 9d. Afternoon—Gold: Shoalhaven River, paid up, 6s 9d.

After the last meeting of the Exchange the following sales were reported:—Copper: Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 27s 7½d, 27s 6d. Silver: B.H. Proprietary, 47s 3d; B.H. South, paid up, 43s; North Broken Hill, 19s; North Central, 11d. Gold: Braidwood Proprietary, contributing, 4s 6d; Woodlark Island Proprietary, paid up, 15s 3d; Bayley's United, 8s 2½d; Great Boulder Proprietary, 31s 10½d, 31s 11d; Hannan's Oroya, 58s 6d; Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, £13 19s.

Boring in the Cascade lode of the Briseis Tin Mines, Limited, Tasmania, has proved the existence of good paying tin. Continuing to raise tin from Krushka's face and the Briseis Nos. 1 and 2 faces.

The New Prince of Wales G.M. Company's new main shaft on April 23 had reached 92ft.

In the No. 5 shoot of the Burnt Creek G.M. Company, Middle Bridge, the reef is rising; ground payable. Driven east 10ft. in good wash; prospects payable. To the west there are fair prospects. In No. 4 shoot, drive south, the prospects are poor. Obtained 8oz. 12dwt. of gold from two machines.

Mr. James Neilson, who has had considerable experience in alluvial mining in Ballarat, has been appointed mine manager of the Century G.M. Company, Forest Reefs, and has entered upon his duties. He reports that alterations and repairs to the machinery are nearly completed, and that he expects to have steam up again by Saturday.

The mining manager of the Chillagoe Railway and Mines, Limited, reports for the week ended April 11 that both the Griffith drive and crosscut show no alteration. The Magazine shaft crosscut has penetrated the limestone, and is now in a copper-stained garnet formation. The two drives from the Nordville are in material containing copper pyrites. A crosscut from the Dorothy has been commenced, but some distance will have to be traversed before reaching the solid ore-bearing garnet rock. Sinking has been resumed at the Lady Jane, and bottom of shaft is showing ore assaying about 10 per cent. to 12 per cent. copper. The M'Ilwraith shaft has for some distance been passing through a formation containing copper pyrites, which has now increased in quantity. At the Zilmanton a permanent winding shaft has been started away from the lode. It is not anticipated that there will be any developments of interest to report from this work for some time. A crosscut in the Otho and a shaft in the Fortunata are still in ore-bearing formation. The Ruddygore tunnel is in granite, and an eastern crosscut has been started in the same material. The Boomerang shaft and tunnel on the Calcifer lease are still in metal-bearing material. The Harkens shaft continues garnet formation impregnated with copper carbonate. Preparation is being made to continue the Harper tunnel through the lode formation. During the week the Engineer-in-Chief of the Queensland Government Railways inspected and passed 35 miles of the railway line in accordance with the Act, with slight modifications, unimportant as to time or money. The permanent route has been pegged to Mungana, and has proved to be considerably cheaper and more convenient than the original line.

At the Koh-i-Noor G. M. Company, Parkes, the main shaft had, on April 28, reached a total depth of 638ft. The reef in the bottom continues same size and quality. Raised for the week 140 tons of stone, and crushed 135 tons. Banked 116oz. of amalgam. Total amalgam in bank, 189oz.

Telegraphing on the 1st instant, the mine manager of the Mount Lyell Blocks Copper Corporation, Limited, Tasmania, stated that there were 1252 tons of ore in the paddock of an average value of 13·21 per cent.

The Mount Garnet Freehold Copper and Silver-mining Company's No. 7 winze had been sunk on April 14 to a depth of 34ft., its value being 4·6 per cent. copper and 7·12oz. silver; No. 8 winze, 5·7 per cent. copper and 6·87oz. silver. Good progress made with engine foundations, poppet heads, and removal of overburden.

On April 20 the mine manager of the Victoria Gold Mines Association, Charters Towers, reported that stoping was being carried on on the footwall reef at No. 12 level, south-east of shaft, on stone 10in. thick. On the north-west of the shaft the reef was a foot thick of heavy mineralised stone, which was also being stoped. Over No. 10 level the reef varies in size from 6in. to 1ft. of fairly good quality. The stopes over No. 2 level were carrying a reef fully 15in. thick of fairly good quality. On April 30 the cyanide works yielded 140oz. of bullion worth 28s 6d per ounce.

At the Cuprite Consolidated Tin Mines, Watsonville, on April 18, the mill had crushed 18 tons 16cwt. of stone for a yield estimated at 1 ton 7cwt. of black tin.

On April 28 the mine manager of the Queen Margaret G.M. Company, Bulong reported that at the 500ft. level the north drive was in 39ft., with the hanging wall well defined, and the lode in schist formation. At the 400ft. level, south drive, the lode was rather disturbed. Medium ore was being broken from the stopes. Fifteen head of stamps were running on the company's ore, and five head on public crushing.

Reporting for the four weeks ended April 25, the mine manager of the B.H. Proprietary Company, Limited, states that the working faces continue in good ore, and work has proceeded satisfactorily. Shortness of miners and the Easter holidays somewhat curtailed the extraction. Good progress is being made with opening up the 650ft. level from M'Bryde's shaft. The extraction of ore from the open cut has been increased. Some good oxidised ore is showing in Wigg's cut. The fourth section of the new ore dressing mill is nearing completion. The regular work in the old and new mill continues satisfactory. More ore can be dealt with than the limited number of miners can break underground. Owing to the greater facilities in producing a larger tonnage of ore, a substantial increase has been effected in the quantity of ore put through the chlorinating and leaching plant. At Port Pirie the reverberatory furnace is working satisfactorily, and without interruption. All plant and machinery, both at the mine and at Port Pirie, are in good order.

At the Milburn Copper Corporation, Limited, Mount M'Donald, on April 28, the No. 1, or main shaft, had reached 274ft., the whole width of the shaft being in high grade ore, leaving a portion of similar grade standing on the hanging wall. No. 2 level, S.W. drive, carried an ore body 4ft. to 5ft. wide of good average grade. In the No. 1 level the S.E. crosscut had passed through lode into clean slatey country. In Andrew's shaft the ore body was 4ft. wide, of payable grade. The erection of compressor pier was completed.

BALLARAT, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—All Nations, 3s; Birthday South, 5s 9d; Birthday Tunnel, 5s 3d, 5s; Central Plateau, 1s 3d, 1s 5d; Dalzell Buchanan, 1s 4d, 1s 6d, 1s 5d; Glenfine Estate, 7s; Glenfine Extended, 7s 3d; Glenfine Consols, 16s 3d, 16s 4½d; Great West Glenfine, 1s 1½d, 1s 2d; Hanlon Consols, 2s 5d; Hepburn Extended, 1s, 1s 1d; Kangaroo, 3s 3d, 3s 4d; Long Thought Of, 9d; Main Leads North, 2s 1d; Moonlight, 1s; North Lalla Rookh, 6d; North Woah Hawp, 5s 8d; Queen of the Plains, 9½d; Red, White, and Blue, 6s 3d, 6s; Sons of Freedom, 8s 9d, 8s 3d, 8s 4½d, 8s 9½d; ditto, South, 1s 2d, 1s 4d, 1s 2d; South Star Extended, 11d; Union, 4s 10½d; Woady Yalloak, 3s 9d, 3s 10d.

BENDIGO, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Byron Reef, 3s 10d; Great Columbian, 1s 10d, 1s 11½d; Horwood and Burrowes, 2s 10d; Hustler's Reef No. 1, 8s; New Argus, 6s 11d, 6s 10½d; New Prince of Wales, 7s 3d; North Lady Brassey, 5s 6d; Shenandoah, 3s 9d, 3s 6d (50); South German Extended No. 1, 9d, 9½d; Specimen Hill, 4s 9d; Spring Gully Junction, 16s 6d; Victory and Pandora, 4s 1d; Waswo, 1s, 11½d.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—No. 3 North Smithfield, 4½d, Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 23s 6d; ditto, forward delivery, 29s.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Day Dawn Gold Mines, 10s.

Crushing.—The Day Dawn Church Lands Company has treated 300 tons of quartz for 132oz. of gold.

GLEN INNES, Thursday.

At the first meeting of the directors of the Mascotte Tin-mining Company, it was stated that 8000 shares had been taken up. The damage done by the fall of the cage has been repaired, and the drive will be commenced next Monday in a westerly direction. The water is not giving trouble, and prospects are exceedingly good. Work at Kangaroo Flat will be commenced shortly by a Sydney syndicate. Messrs. Stacy Brothers of the Nine-mile, have sold their claim for £600 to the representative of a Sydney syndicate.

GYMPIE, Thursday.

Mr. Thomas Smith reports that No. 2 South Great Eastern has crushed 1167 tons of quartz, for a yield of 3803oz. of amalgam. No. 2 North Oriental and Glanmire got nice colours of gold in the intermediate level going north.

Sales: Columbia and Smithfield, 3s 2d; No. 1 South Gympie Gold Mines, 5s 11d; No. 3 South Great Eastern, 1s 5½d; No. 4 South Great Eastern, 7d; No. 3 North Victory, paid, 1s.

Quotations: No. 2 North Oriental and Glanmire, seller 4s, buyer 3s; North Oriental and Glanmire, seller 9s 3d, buyer 8s 5d; Golden Pile, seller 7s 3d, buyer 6s 6d; No. 2 North Victory, seller 4s 2d, buyer 3s 11d.

HOBART, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange quotations were:—Colebrook, buyer 2s; Hercules, buyer 12s 9d, seller 14s 3d; Mount Black, buyer 1s 7d, seller 2s; Lyell Tharsis, buyer 20s, seller 21s; Royal Tharsis, paid, buyer 3s, seller 4s; Great Lyell South, buyer 1s 8d, seller 2s; Great Southern Lyell, buyer 8d, seller 10d; British Read, buyer 20s, seller 23s 6d.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales and quotations were:—Sales: New Monarch, 2s 5d; New Pinafore, 3s; North Mount Farrell, 5s 2d.

Quotations: New Pinafore, buyer 2s 11½d, seller 3s 2d; Central Ringarooma, buyer 1s 9d, seller 2s; Tasmania, buyer £5 17s 6d, seller £5 19s; Colonel North, buyer 1s 4d, seller 1s 8d; North Magnet, buyer 2s, seller 2s 6d; Oonah, buyer 10d, seller 1s 4d; Silver King, buyer £21; Western Silver, buyer 10s, seller 11s; North Mount Farrell, buyer 5s, seller 5s 4d; Mount Lyell, buyer £9 4s, seller £9 10s; North Mount Lyell, buyer 70s; Lyell Tharsis, buyer 19s 6d; Chillagoe Railway and Mines, buyer 29s, seller 31s; Mount Bischoff, buyer £47, seller £50; Ringarooma Dredging, paid, buyer 1s 7d, seller 2s; South Esk, buyer 7s 3d, seller 8s 3d.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Among mining companies to-day sales were:—B.H. Block 10, £6 16s; B.H. Proprietary, 47s 9d; B.H. South, paid, 42s; North Broken, 18s 9d, £18 7½d, 18s 9d; Sulphide Corporation, colonial register, 23s 6d, 23s 9d, 23s 6d; Mount Lyell, £9 6s, £9 4s; North Mount Lyell, 71s 6d; Colonel North, 1s 6d; Curtin and Davis, 1s 2d; Glen Lyell, 3½d; Great Lyell South, 1s 9d, 1s 10½d, 1s 10d; Great Southern Mount Lyell, 7d; Lyell Tharsis, 19s 9d, 20s 3d; Mount Lyell Peaks, 8d; Prince Lyell, 5½d; Western Tharsis, paid, 2s 2d; Frome River, 4s; Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 27s 9d, 27s 4½d, 28s 3d, 28s 10½d; Mount Garnet and Chillagoe, £12, £12 10s; North Queensland Minerals, paid, 1s 6d, 1s 7d; Prince Alfred, 2s; Copper Top, 3s, 2s 9d, 2s 10d; Associated Gold Mines, £5 5s; Queen Margaret, 14s 6d; Glenfine Consols, 16s 3d; Glenfine Estate, 7s 3d; Glenfine Junction, 1s 7d, 1s 6d; Glenfine South, £5 9s, £5 5s; Great South Long Tunnel, 2s 6d, 3s, 2s 11d; South German, £5 18s, £6; ditto Extended, 20s 9d; South Star, 8s, 9s; Central Plateau, 1s 3d, 1s 8d; Great West Glenfine, 1s 3d; Horn Island, 4s, 3s 10d; Long Thought Of, 9d; Maude and Homeward Bound, 10s, 9s 9d; M'Evoy, 4s; M'Gregor's, 2s 1d, 2s 4d; Main Leads, 13s 6d; Maori Queen, £24 10s, £24 15s; Pandora Proprietary, paid, 1s 3d; Red, White, and Blue, 6s 1d; Shenandoah, 3s 8d; Sir John Franklin, 3s, 3s 1d; ditto, paid, 4s; Spring Hill Central, 7s 9d, 8s 4½d; Star of the East, 4s 3d, 4s 4d; Victory and Pandora, 4s.

MOLONG, Thursday.

Mining operations at Boney's Rocks field are not very brisk. The Burdett Company has obtained six months' suspension from the labour conditions, and has let the mine on tribute to 12 men. The last crushing yielded a result of 30s per man after all expenses had been paid. The Highland Reef is being steadily worked. Mr. J. E. Evans, of the American Reef, has placed his property on a fresh basis, and will proceed to work it in a permanent manner. This claim has yielded the richest stone on the field. The dams are all full.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales and quotations were:—B.H. Proprietary, 47s, buyer 46s 9d, seller 47s 3d; B.H. Block 14, buyer 28s 9d, seller 29s; British Blocks, 26s 3d, 26s, buyer 25s 9d, seller 26s; ditto, new, buyer 24s 6d, seller 25s; B.H. Block 10, buyer £6 10s; B.H. Junction, 17s 3d, buyer 17s 1½d, seller 17s 4½d; Junction North, buyer 15s 9d, seller 16s; B.H. South, 42s 6d, 42s 9d, buyer 42s 9d, seller 43s; ditto, contributing, 42s, buyer 41s 9d, seller 42s; North Broken, 19s, 19s 1½d, buyer 19s, seller 19s 1½d; Associated Gold Mines, £5 5s, £5 4s, buyer £5 3s 9d, seller £5 4s; ditto Northern Blocks, 47s, 47s 10½d, 47s 6d, buyer 47s 3d, seller 47s 6d; Bailey's United, 8s 4d, 8s 3d, buyer 8s 2d, seller 8s 4d; Hannan's Ben Lomond, 1s, buyer 1s, seller 1s 1d; Hannan's Block 45, 6s 6d, buyer 6s 6d, seller 6s 8d; Bonnie Charlie Central, seller 4s 3d; ditto, contributing, buyer 1s 9d, seller 2s; Boulder Consols No. 1, 1s 4d, buyer 1s 3d, seller 1s 5d; Boulder Half-mile South, 9s, 8s 10d, buyer 8s 10d, seller 8s 11d; Brookman's Boulder, buyer 13s 3d, seller 13s 9d; Boulder North Extended, 2s 3d, buyer 2s 2d, seller 2s 4d; Brown Hill Junction, 3s 1½d, 3s 1d, 3s 2d, buyer 3s 1d, seller 3s 2d; Brown Hill Central, 3s 3d, buyer 3s 1d, seller 3s 2d; Central and West Boulder, 29s, seller 29s; Cumberland, paid, buyer 2s 4d; Chaffer's, 20s, 20s 1½d, buyer 19s 10½d, seller 20s 1½d; Golden Zone, 3s 4d, 3s 6d, 3s 4d, buyer 3s 4d, seller 3s 5d; Great Boulder, 31s 9d, 31s 10½d, buyer 31s 9d, seller 31s 10½d; Great Boulder Main Reef, 34s, 34s 3d, buyer 34s 3d, seller 34s 6d; Great Boulder Perseverance, £12, £11 17s, buyer £11 15s 6d, seller £11 16s 6d; Hainault, 32s, 31s, buyer 30s 6d, seller 31s; Hannan's Oroya, 58s 6d, 58s, seller 57s 9d; Imperial Boulder, 3s 3d, 3s 2d, buyer 3s 1d, seller 3s 3d; Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, buyer £13 16s, seller £13 17s; Ironsides, buyer 1s 3d; Ivanhoe Junction, 13s 6d, buyer 12s 6d, seller 12s 9d; Kalgoorlie Bank of England, buyer 9s 9d; Kalgoorlie Mint and Iron King, buyer 9s, seller 9s 9d; Kalgurli Gold Mines, buyer £7; Lady Mary, seller 5s 6d; Lake View Consols, £12 18s, £13 1s, £13, buyer £12 19s 6d; Lake View South, 17s 3d, seller 17s 6d; North Kalgurli, 22s 9d, buyer 22s 4½d, seller 22s 9d; Premier, buyer 29s, seller 30s; Princess Royal, seller 36s; ditto, contributing, 35s; ditto North, contributing, 1s, seller 1s; Queen Margaret, buyer 13s 9d, seller 14s; Queen Margaret South, buyer 2s 2d, seller 2s 6d; Queen Margaret Central, buyer 2s 5d, seller 2s 7d; Queensland Menzies, paid, buyer 5s; Reefers Eureka, contributing, seller 2s; South Kalgurli, £5 16s, £5 15s 6d, seller £5 15s 6d; Slug Hill Proprietary, 7s, 7½d; Sulphide Corporation, 23s 6d, 23s 3d, 23s 4½d, buyer 23s 4½d, seller 23s 6d; White Feather Main Reef, buyer 19s; Wallaroo and Moonta Copper, buyer 28s 6d, seller 29s; Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 29s 4½d, 27s 6d, 28s, 27s 10½d, buyer 27s 9d, seller 28s; Blayney, buyer 8s.

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DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends have been declared, and are payable on the dates specified:—
British Broken, May 7, 2s 6d.
South German, Maldon, May 8, 3s.
Victoria Quartz, Woods Point, May 9, 3d.
Castilla, May 10, 6d.
Pioneer Tin (liquidation), May 10, 1½d.
B.H. Proprietary Block 10 Company, May 23 (dividend 3s, bonus 1s 6d), 4s 6d.
Lyell Tharsis, Tasmania, May 28, 1s.
Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, Kalgoorlie, May 30, 5s.

YIELDS.

GOLD.

Bolte's Lucknow mine, Wyalong, 20 tons 16cwt., 213oz.
Day Dawn Church Lands Co., C.T., 300 tons, 132oz.
Perseverance mine, Wyalong, 70 tons, 47oz.

LICENSED VICTUALLERS AND REFORMS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In the "Sydney Morning Herald" of to-day's date there is a detailed account of an annual picnic of the Licensed Victuallers' Association, with suggested reforms for which legislation is to be sought.

Had it been simply an account of their own doings to their own constituents little notice might have been taken of what was said, but the presence of the Hon. the Minister for Lands (who apologised for the absence of the Premier and the Minister for Works) and other members of Parliament (the unqualified approval of the suggestions, together with the character of the statements made and now sent out to the public through your widely read columns, necessitate a reply from the other side.

The president of the meeting states in his speech that "Sunday trading on a limited scale as in Great Britain was advocated." In responding to the toast the Minister for Lands (Mr. Hassall) stated among other things that "if a license were given to any man permission should be given to him to sell liquor at any hour of the day and every day. Man must have refreshment, and the restriction placed upon publicans led to breaches of the law. The enactment was disregarded and evaded, as was well known, hence the temptation should be removed." Other members of Parliament followed in the same strain.

With regard to a statement by the president, "Sunday trading on a limited scale" cannot be said to be the state of things in Great Britain. It is so in England, but even there limitations have increased, and will continue, while in Scotland and Wales, the other portions of Great Britain, Sunday trading has not existed for many years, in the case of the first for more than 50 years.

With regard to the whole question of Sunday trading and legislation, it should be remembered that the New South Wales Act recognises the principle, and fixes that there must be Sunday closing. The principle has been fixed by the Parliament acting for the people. All English peoples are tending to the same, and most have already reached it; and, as far as we have seen, none of them wish to go back.

The great fault in our Act is, that while we have said public-houses must close, the methods of bringing the guilt home to offenders are too difficult. It is not because people will have refreshments, but because convictions are so difficult, that the publican opens his back and side doors to tempt poor men to enter. The fact of persons not bona-fide inmates of the house being found on the premises, without the publican being able to show good cause, should be sufficient for conviction.

Legislation must come if publicans will evade and break the law of the land, but the direction of the legislation will be to ensure that the law will be kept. The people of New South Wales, after the step forward they have taken and the experience they have had from other lands that have gone forward, will go on and not recede.

Another matter which must be faced is the fact that early closing has become the rule in our colony. It is felt that it is unjust that public-houses should be open. The wares sold are in no sense a necessity. Bread is, meat is, yet bakers and butchers must close. Strong drink is not, and the temptation that public-houses present to thousands of young people who have now much time on their hands is a factor to be remembered by all who wish the welfare of our country. Legislation will, of necessity, be demanded to meet the evils that will arise.

The hearts of ministers of the Gospel, missionaries, and other philanthropic workers are often pained beyond all expression at the scenes they witness which are due to the drink traffic. On the ground of what will lessen temptation to men and women and children rising up in our midst all legislation must aim at circumscribing the opportunities for obtaining intoxicants until the day come—for which we long—when our people will be so taught and so strong as to keep from it of themselves, or the traffic itself will be prohibited in our land as one of the greatest, if not absolutely the greatest foe of humanity.

I am, &c.,
JAMES BUCHAN.

May 3.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

LAND AND HOUSES.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited.—At their Rooms, at 11.30, Shares, and Houses and Land.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

J. R. LAWSON.—At the Room, at 11, Furniture, Glass, China, Electroplate, Cutlery, Pianofortes, Brussels Carpet, Toilet Ware, &c.

DALWOOD and CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Furniture, Glassware, Crockery, Carpets, &c.; at 27 Forsyth-street, Glebe Point, at 3, Furniture, Piano, Sewing Machine, &c.; at 86 George-street, Camperdown, at 10, Furniture, &c.

H. W. BROOK and CO.—At 146 Elizabeth-street, at 11, Furniture, Bookcases, Gas Stoves, &c.

STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At their Burwood Salerooms, at 11, Furniture, Pianofortes, China Services, Sewing Machines, &c.

H. HAINS.—At 37 George-street West, at 11, Cigars, Tobacco, Stationery, Fancy Goods, Brushware, &c.

A. TRAVERS and CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Furniture, Overmantels, &c.

A. HARVEY and CO.—At the Exchange Salerooms, at 2.30, Teas.

H. W. CAREY and CO.—At the Exchange Salerooms, at 2.30, Teas.

J. P. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11, Clothing, Boots, Blankets, &c.

J. BROWN and CO.—At 37 Broadway, Glebe, at 2.30, Furniture, Pianoforte, &c.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At Hay and George streets, Haymarket, at 2.30, Furniture, &c.

W. TROUP and CO.—At Palmer-street, Woolloomooloo, at 2, Furniture, &c.

BARNARD and CO.—At Kent and Market streets, at 10, Stretchers, Mattresses, &c.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

AT THE VARIOUS STORES, Circular Quay, at 9.30, Hides; at the Wool Exchange, at 10.30, Tallow; at 1.45, Sheepskins.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY.—At their Stores, Hides; at their salerooms, Sheepskins, Tallow.

GOLDSBROUGH, MORT, and CO.—Hides, Tallow, Sheepskins.

THE NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY CO.—At their Rooms, at 9.30, Hides; at the Wool Exchange, at 10.30, Tallow; at 1.45, Sheepskins.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

C. J. TURNER.—At his Rooms, Poultry; Farm Exchange, at 1.30, Poultry, Eggs, Suckers, &c.

ELLIS and CO.—At their Saleyards, at 1, Vealers, Pigs, Butter, Eggs, &c.

HELLMAN and CO.—At their Railway Auction Rooms, at 2.30, Poultry, Butter, Eggs, &c.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At the Bazaar, at 10.30 and 11.30, Horses, Vehicles, &c.; at the Camperdown Yards, at 2.30, Horses.

STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At the Burwood Salerooms, at 2, Horse, Buggy, Sulky, &c.

DALWOOD and CO.—At 86 George-street, Camperdown, at 10, Horse, Cart, &c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

GUILLE and CO.—At G.P.O. Yard, Martin-place, at 11, Building Materials, &c.

Funerals.

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WELSH.—The Friends of the late Mrs. ANNIE WELSH are kindly invited to attend her Funeral, which will leave her daughter's residence, No. 25 Ross-street, Forest Lodge, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for Necropolis. WOOD and COMPANY, Funeral Directors. Telephone, 726, &c.

BOWERS.—The Friends of Mr. JAMES BOWERS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late dearly loved WIFE, Rebecca Sophia; to leave his residence, 22 Stanley-street, Kingston, THIS DAY, 1.45 p.m., for Necropolis, via Newtown station. COFFILL and COMPANY, Central Office, 512 George-street, Tel., 424, &c. Main Depot, Harris-street.

BOWERS.—The Friends of EDWARD J. and WILLIAM E. BOWERS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved MOTHER, Rebecca Sophia Bowers; to leave her late residence, 22 Stanley-street, Kingston, THIS DAY, at 1.45 p.m., for Necropolis, via Newtown station. COFFILL and COMPANY.

BOWERS.—The Friends of Mrs. E. KEARNEY and Mrs. E. KING are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved MOTHER, Mrs. J. Bowers; to move from her late residence, 22 Stanley-street, Kingston, TO-DAY, Friday, at 1.45 p.m., for Necropolis.

MURPHY.—The Friends of Mr. JAMES MURPHY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Catherine; to move from Athlone-place on SATURDAY AFTERNOON for R. C. Cemetery, Rookwood. W. J. DIXON and CO., 120 Oxford-street, and 183 George-street West.

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